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HOW THE DERBY WAS WON

SITTING BULL'S VICTORY.

Local Winners of Big Sweeps.

MOST THRILLING RACE FOR YEARS.

MR. DUNBAR'S TIP TO "CHINA MAIL."

Undoubtedly the best stayer among the Hong Kong griffins of 1928, Sitting Bull deservedly won the local Derby to-day, on the second day of the Jockey Club's annual racing carnival. But such a thrilling race was seen, with the issue in doubt right up to the last 200 yards, that even those who lost joined in a hearty cheer for those connected with the winner.

Sitting Bull was speedy enough to return good time for the one mile and a half. But the light had been hidden under a bushel during training. It won yesterday and gradually commanded more support until it started joint favourite with Peck.

The "China Mail" congratulates two very fortunate local gentlemen on their extremely good fortune in annexing between them the two biggest cash sweep prizes in the Colony.

SHANGHAI JOCKEYS SHINE.

Mr. Wong Kam-fuk, J.P., for years compradore to the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. drew Sitting Bull in the Chinese Club sweep, winning a prize of \$100,800. The winning ticket was sold to Mr. Wong by his son, Dr. S. To Wong.

Mr. M. Rafec of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, who has for years been an ardent follower of the local turf, drew Sitting Bull in the South China Athletic Association sweep, winning \$151,200.

In Smashing Style.

Of the field of nine in the Derby, three were not serious contenders and finished where everybody expected them to. Of the other six, Sitting Bull won in smashing style but the race was full of thrills and excitement prevailed all the way up the straight. Peck may have done better; one section of opinion is that he lost through faulty tactics—that Mr. A. J. P. Heard made the fatal mistake of setting the pace. Young Pretender stayed the gruelling race fairly well but was defeated in the final furlong. New Year's Eve, Coss Bay and November were beaten for speed and on their merits. There was no fluke about Sitting Bull's victory.

It was the most thrilling Derby since 1923. The griffins in the three seasons preceding this one may have been of a higher class generally and Mr. L. Dunbar's Elliot Hall (last year's winner) may be a better pony than Mr. Dunbar's Sitting Bull but this year's race had much more interest.

"Tip" for the Champions.

Mr. Dunbar will now have a big voice in to-morrow's Champions—the big race of the third day. His answer to the "China Mail" is that he will send Chesapeake Bay, who was third in last year's Champions to King of Hearts and Elliot Bay. Elliot Bay beat King of Hearts yesterday and won another race to-day. At present, therefore, it seems as if Mr. Dunbar will rely on Chesapeake and not Elliot. At any rate, his stable has an excellent opportunity of bringing off the great double in which they just failed in 1927. Prospects of further thrills and big dividends are still good.

Shanghai jockeys again monopolised the honours to-day, but Mr. W. T. Stanton scored one masterly victory. Dumfries was a very popular winner among the military community and Bengal was given a rousing cheer on winning his second race in Hong Kong. Appropriate settings greeted Happy Valley for Derby Day and yesterday's fine attendance was, if anything, exceeded. Many were inside the enclosure long before the opening event, and hundreds were either inside or close to the course.

Poetic Justice.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi), accompanied by Lady Clementi, Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, A.D.C. and Captain B. R. Forster, Private Secretary, watched the Derby. The party was met on arrival by Mr. H. P. White (chairman) and the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes of the Stewards. Both the Regimental and Pipe Bands of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers were in attendance. The main problem of the Derby had been solved overnight by Mr.

Apparent failing to secure a place. Several candidates were confidently backed this morning so that chances were very open. Even the ladies were making calculations based on yesterday's times and making anxious inquiries.

Poetic justice was done. The joint favourite made the pace a scorcher and lost—and the other joint favourite romped home.

The Classic Described.

There were nine starters for the Derby. Young Pretender led from Sitting Bull at the start, but New Year's Eve immediately made the pace. Peck was also well placed and at the Rock had taken the lead. Young Pretender dropped back to the bunch. November was running well at the quarter mile post where Coss Bay had just managed to dispossess Peck for the lead.

Guild Hall and Harlene were tailed off early. Coming up the straight for the first time, Coss Bay, Peck and November were running almost neck and neck, hotly pursued by Sitting Bull and New Year's Eve, with Young Pretender and Manor Hall in the rear. Guild Hall gave up hereabouts.

Peck had taken the lead again after going once round, followed closely by November, the others being still at their heels, excepting for Young Pretender who, with a leeway of three lengths, began to move up now.

That Final Burst.

Peck and Young Pretender led together when passing the quarter mile post for the last time, with four challengers in attendance. Young Pretender had seemingly won at the two miles post and Peck had shot his bolt. Sitting Bull made his effort at the distance post and burst through in beautiful style. New Year's Eve tried to hang on next to the rails and Coss Bay was also battling gamely on the outside. Neither of these two caught Young Pretender who lost by six lengths to Sitting Bull, but beat New Year's Eve by a length for second place. The last named just stayed off Coss Bay for place money. November was fifth and Peck sixth with Manor Hall seventh. Harlene was a very poor eighth.

Sitting Bull and Peck were about equally backed in the pari-mutuel. Next in demand came Young Pretender, and then Coss Bay and New Year's Eve with about equal support; and next was November.

No Protest.

It was mentioned yesterday that, arising out of the 9th Race, Racing Stakes, a protest had been entered by the connections of November (placed 3rd) against the winner, Young Pretender. The "China Mail" has been informed that no objection was lodged but that an inquiry was instituted spontaneously by the Stewards who found that no blame whatever is to be attached to the riding of Mr. V. M. Halmovitch, who was the jockey of Young Pretender. However, it should be mentioned that the white flag was noticed above the judges' box which, according to the official race book, meant:—"If the objection... be disallowed, a white flag (will be hoisted)."

Record Dividend?
The winner in the last race paid on the pari-mutuel \$1,432.50, which is considered a record dividend. The field was unusually large.

1. JOCKEY CUP—winner \$500, second \$200, third \$100, a Cup will be presented to the winning jockey, for China ponies, that have started in and have not won a race at this meeting and that have not at any time won three flat races, to be ridden by jockeys who have not won five flat races in Hong Kong, Macao or China, weight for inches as per scale, winners 5 lb. extra, jockeys 2 lb. extra for each flat race won, entrance \$3. One mile.

Mr. Luen Yick's Warlordship 163 lbs. (Mr. Loo) 1
Mr. F. Usher's Warrington 167 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 2
Mr. K. H. Kay's Captain 158 lbs. (Mr. Proulx) 3
Mr. Dynasty's King Sol 161 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 0
Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Fame Hall 152 lbs. (Mr. Ho) 0
Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Artistic Hall 160 lbs. (Mr. Liang) 0
Mr. R. J. Paterson's August 160 lbs. (Mr. Erskine) 0
Mr. Tang's Sutherland 155 lbs. (Mr. Botelho) 0
Dr. S. To Wong's Grey Eyes (late Horner) 155 lbs. (Mr. G. da Roza) 0

Time: 2:11.2/5.
6 lengths; a neck.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$72.70; Places: 1st \$6.60; 2nd \$5.70; 3rd \$5.60.

2. EXCHANGE PLATE—presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hong Kong, value \$1,000 to winner, second to receive \$300, third \$200, for China ponies, weight for inches as per scale, ponies that have started in and not won a race of 1 mile or over at this meeting allowed 5 lb. griffins of this meeting allowed 5 lb. subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lb. entrance \$10, about one mile, 155 yards.

Mr. L. Dunbar's Elliot Bay 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. R. J. Paterson's August 155 lbs. (Mr. Erskine) 2
Mr. Hee Cheong's Wakehow 152 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 3

Time: 2:25.
Many lengths; many lengths.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$5.10; Places 1st \$5.30.

3. HONG KONG DERBY—A sweepstakes of \$20 each with \$3,000 added for China ponies, bona fide griffins of this meeting; first pony to receive 70 per cent, second 20 per cent, third 10 per cent, of the total amount; weight for inches as per scale; ponies to be ridden by jockeys who have won at least 5 official flat races in Hong Kong or China, or jockeys approved by the Stewards. One mile and a half.

Mrs. E. L. Dunbar's Sitting Bull 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. Dynasty's Young Pretender 155 lbs. (Mr. Halmovitch) 2
Mr. Eve's New Year's Eve 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0
Mr. L. Dunbar's Coss Bay 158 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 4
Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Guild Hall 153 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Manor Hall 158 lbs. (Mr. G. da Roza) 0
Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes and C. Gordon Mackie's Peck 168 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 0
Mr. R. J. Paterson's November 158 lbs. (Mr. Bullett) 0
Mr. Seth's Harlene 155 lbs. (Mr. Loo) 0

Time: 3:11.
6 lengths; 1 length.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$16.40; Places: 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$8.60; 3rd \$12.10.

4. SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS' CHALLENGE CUP—value \$1,000, for subscription griffins of this meeting, weight for inches as per scale, to be won two years consecutively by ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners; winner to receive \$500 and 70 per cent, second \$200 and 20 per cent, third \$100 and 10 per cent, of the entrance fee until the Cup is finally won when the second pony will receive 75 per cent and the third pony 25 per cent of the entrance fees in addition to the place money; entrance \$10. One mile and a quarter.

Major Lake's Dumfries 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 1
Mr. Seth's Erskine 155 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 2
Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Spinner 158 lbs. (Mr. Bullett) 3
Mr. Carlford's Madeira 155 lbs. (Mr. G. da Roza) 0
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch 152 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 0

Time: 1:31.2/5.
2 1/2 lengths; 8 lengths.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$12.10; Places: 1st \$5.50; 2nd \$5.40; 3rd \$7.10.

5. GREAT SOUTHERN STAKES—winner \$400, second \$200, third \$100, for China ponies, weight for inches as per scale; winners at this meeting 5 lb. of two or more races 7 lb. extra; griffins allowed 5 lb. subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lb. jockey allowance, entrance \$10, 8 1/2 furlongs.

Mr. Eve's Bengal 158 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 1
Mr. L. Dunbar's Bakers Bay 153 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2
Messrs. K. C. Lau and H. C. Lee's Duke of Artagan (late Sunbeam Dahlia) 158 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Mr. N. Halmovitch's Chick 162 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0
Mr. Huen Chung's Chow Teze 155 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
Mr. F. Usher's Loongwa 158 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 0

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HAVE YOU WON?

To-day's Cash Sweeps at a Glance.

ALL THE LUCKY NUMBERS.

Below are given the results of the cash sweeps at to-day's races. Drawers of unplaced starters get \$50 each except where stated.

A Race I.
No. 169 \$1,139.60
" 80 325.60
" 418 162.80
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 223, 222, 199, 220, 127, 429.

B Race II.
No. 72 \$1,943.20
" 74 555.20
" 287 277.60

C Race III.
No. 1023 \$7,140.00
" 1234 2,040.00
" 507 1,020.00
Unplaced \$100.00 each:—Nos. 288, 588, 523, 1074, 485, 1295.

D Race IV.
No. 12 \$2,485.00
" 445 710.00
" 305 355.00
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 298, 851, 173, 838, 398, 968, 394, 85, 71.

E Race V.
No. 1383 \$4,425.10
" 701 1,264.40
" 1429 632.20
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 1458, 674, 1322.

F Race VI.
No. 391 \$3,885.00
" 602 \$710.00
" 532 555.00
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 1418, 696, 646, 811, 1859.

G Race VII.
No. 1235 \$4,503.80
" 1453 1,286.80
" 238 643.40
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 448, 894, 487.

H Race VIII.
No. 660 \$4,270.00
" 15 1,220.00
" 318 610.00
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 1173, 1093, 1580, 1134, 1602, 1213, 1592, 935, 376, 1276, 315, 1464, 421, 648.

I Race IX.
No. 831 \$3,595.20
" 185 1,027.20
" 1284 513.60
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 943, 203.

J Race X.
No. 892 \$3,010.00
" 440 860.00
" 177 490.00
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 1123, 535, 212, 1145, 1168, 775, 1007, 228, 982, 604.

K Race XI.
No. 797 \$2,469.60
" 634 705.60
" 1021 352.80
Unplaced \$50.00 each:—Nos. 121, 979, 190, 546, 224, 1132, 419, 1055, 737, 284, 1092, 629, 830, 355, 1049, 320, 1042, 569, 27, 1012.

Messrs Dyer and Beith's Loch 152 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 0
Mr. Eve's Gala Eve 158 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0
Mr. F. C. Hall's The Gannet 155 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0
Mr. Moon's O-Moon 158 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
Mr. Richardson's Movanager 155 lbs. (Mr. Halmovitch) 0
Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's Tarzan 162 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0
Mr. Wayfoong's Brown Jug 155 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 0

Time: 2:43.4/5.
2 lengths; 1 length.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$13.40; Places: 1st \$6.70; 2nd \$8.50; 3rd \$22.40.

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BIG DIVIDENDS.

Yesterday's Was Not A Record.

PERSONAL HISTORY.

Telling Of When A Pony Paid Over \$700.

The correspondent who inquires if the pari-mutuel "winner" dividend of \$569.40 paid on the 8th race yesterday (Chater Cup) to the fifteen backers of Little Sit Tang is a record for Hong Kong is definitely informed that it is not.

A bigger dividend was paid in 1918 which, incidentally, recalls the fact that this is the tenth anniversary of the Race Course catastrophe when hundreds lost their lives through a row of mat-

MAY CHANGE.

Misty Weather Predicted.

North-east winds, fresh, fair at first, overcast, some drizzle or mist later, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow. The Ishigaki depression has moved to the east north east of Oshima. A new anticyclone is formed over N. China. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. Coast of China and over the China Sea.

shed booths (which has not been in existence since) collapsed and immediately caught fire.

Sensational Race.

The Derby in 1918 was won by the late Sir Ellis Kadoorie's Tytam Chief, ridden by Mr. "Knoll," who was better known to his friends as Mr. A. David. The return was over \$700. It was about either \$710 or \$720 and there were less than ten backers, only one of whom, an interpreter in the Police Department, held two tickets.

That was a sensational Derby. The favourite in the ante-post betting had been disgraced the first day and, if memory is not at fault, Mr. John Peel's Domino, ridden by Mr. John Johnstone, was made the favourite. Domino forced the pace after seven furlongs and had a clear lead. Tytam Chief drew up at the last bend ahead again. In a ding-dong finish up the straight, Tytam Chief won with very little to spare.

Griffin of 1917.

The fourth race follow and then came the tiffin interval. As the ponies were going out for the fifth race, disaster overtook the meeting and the remainder of the programme was abandoned.

Tytam Chief had been entered as a griffin in 1917 but did not face the starter because of lameness. And there was nothing whatsoever to lead one to think that he would even get a place in the Derby. I had the pleasure of a small share in one of the tickets, and a "place" all to myself, but the latter paid, comparatively, very little, because the favourite was placed.

TOURISTS LEAVE.

PLEASANT RECOLLECTIONS OF HONG KONG.

SHOPS' GOOD HARVEST.

The two tourist vessels, the "Belgenland" and the "Empress of Australia," left Hong Kong yesterday bearing with them the seven hundred tourists who for four days have been visiting places of interest in the Colony and neighbouring districts.

Local establishments have done a good trade during the tourists' stay here, the vendors have expressed their appreciation of their entertainment in no uncertain terms and, as the weather was fairly good on the whole, they leave with pleasant recollections of their stay here.

The "Belgenland" left for Manila on her way southwards to Europe via the Straits and India, whilst the "Empress of Australia" has left for the North.

"Franconia" Coming.

The s.s. "Franconia," well known among ships on round-the-world

SWABUE SOVIET.

ACTION BY CANTON GOVERNMENT.

FIGHTING STARTS.

Army Division Ready To Press Home Advantage.

BIAS BAY MAY BE THE NEXT OBJECT OF ATTACK.

One body of Nationalist troops is already engaged in skirmishes with the small hordes of the Swabue Soviet between Bias Bay and Swatow and General Li Chai-sum, chief of the Kwangtung Government, has ordered one of his own divisions to move against the Reds from another direction and thus press home any advantage.

Against regular troops who considerably outnumber them and are better trained and equipped, the Communists are unlikely to put up much resistance and it is felt that their doom will be sealed shortly. There is also a hope that General Li Chai-sum's division may wheel, later, on Bias Bay, for action against the notorious pirates of the China Sea.

Further afield, it is reported that the revolt in the "Christian General's" ranks has become so serious that he is threatened on several fronts and has ordered a general withdrawal. The Nationalists are believed to have re-entered the war, and further successes for Canton's allies in the Hunan zone are mentioned.

THE FENG REVOLT.

At present one division of the 11th Army from Swatow is keeping a watch on the Communists of the Hoifung and Lukfung districts, but only getting into contact in isolated places, with very little fighting. The pro-Canton regulars number upward of 3,000 men.

One of General Li Chai-sum's divisions, also of about 3,000 men, has been ordered to trek southward overland from the upper reaches of the East River basin, over several ranges of hills and mountains, to get into the Communists' rear.

"Boxer" Principles.

The foregoing indicates that the present Canton Government, having got rid of rivals elsewhere, is now diverting attention to the very serious problem of the Reds.

The Reds have only about 2,000 fighting men, made up of 700 former Ironsides who were cut off from their main column in the recent fighting, about 600 men under Pang Bai, the Chinese Soviet Commissar (some of whom have professed "Boxer" principles and belief in immunity to shot and shell) 600 bandits and guerrillas and 200 out of work peasants.

FACTOR OF REVOLT.

"Christian General" Orders Withdrawal.

Generals who formerly served the "Christian General" in Hunan and Shensi provinces are reported in overnight cables to have thrown in their lot against him, now that a revolt has been started.

It is believed in a well-informed source that friends of the Peking Government are backing revolt; and this possibly explains Peking's apparent lack of interest in the campaign so far—as they may have relied on the factor of revolt.

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Both in the south of Chihli and the west of Shantung, the "Christian General's" units have been ordered to withdraw, says the "Kung Sheng Yat Po."

The conference at Hsuehowfu, where the "Christian General" was to have met his ally, General Chiang Kai-shek of the Nationalists, has been called off as the result of this sudden development.

Fighting Reported.

Nanking, Yesterday.

Fighting between the Nanking Nationalists and the Peking defenders is reported from the northward of Hsuehowfu, on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. — British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Hsuehowfu is in the north of Kiangsu province, a point of much strategic importance, about 200 miles north by west of Nanking as the crow flies, but considerably longer by railway. It is the Nationalists' base for operations against the Peking units in Shantung province, a few hundred miles south of Peking, the Nationalists' final objective.]

HUNAN'S WAR.

Nationalists Get Troops From Ichang.

Ichang, Yesterday.

Troops are reported to be moving from here down the Yangtze River. — British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Ichang is on the upper Yangtze, about 370 miles above Hankow. From Hankow, Wu-Han Nationalist detachments have gone up to Ichang to dispossess General Yang Sen. Units are now going back, ostensibly to strengthen the hands of the Wu-Han Nationalists in Hunan province, against the Hunanese.]

Near Canton's Frontier.

Hankow, Yesterday.

It is authentically reported that the Wu-Han Nationalist forces under General Pei Chung-hsi have captured Hsuehowfu and General Li Ping-hsien (of the Hunanese Army) is retreating to the Kwangtung border.

General Hu Tsung-yi (also of the Wu-Han Nationalist forces) has returned to Hankow with the 10th Army from the Hunan front and is leaving Generals Cheng Chien and Pei Chung-hsi in control of affairs in Hunan province.

To John Hand's.

Generals Ho Chien and Liu Hsiang (of the Hunanese Army) are still holding Changteh (on the Yuan River, in north central Hunan, not directly in the path of the Wu-Han drive southward). — Reuter.

[Note: General Pei Chung-hsi is a colleague of General Li Chai-sum of Canton. He is driving the Hunanese towards the Kwangtung frontier because he wishes to get through to join hands with Canton.]

On Thursday at 5.30 p.m. Lady Tyrell will distribute the prizes at St. Mary's School, Canadian Institute.

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SPRING MEETING.

Saturday, 3rd March, 1928.

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"TREVESA" TROPHY.

THE NINTH BI-ANNUAL RACE for Ships' Lifeboats will be sailed on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March next, starting at 4 p.m. Each ship may enter any number of boats.

Course:—Start from Channel Rocks, thence to Kowloon Rock (P), Mark off Yacht Club (S), Cust Rock Gas Buoy (P), finish at the Yacht Club across the line from West to East.

Competing Boats must be at the starting line by 3.30 p.m. and place themselves under the Starter's orders so that they can be lined up before the gun is fired.

Ships proposing to enter boats are requested to notify the Hon. Secretary, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, not later than noon, on the 14th March.

R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary, H.K.Y.C.
Hong Kong, 13th February, 1928.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1928.

13th, 14th, 15th and 16th February.

The First Race on each day will be run at 12 o'clock noon. The first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. each day.

MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those members who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before SATURDAY, 11th February, 1928, at a cost of \$10 each per day or \$30 for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies' to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies' free of charge. On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$8 per day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1 per day.

Admission by ticket only. Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stables.

Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th January, 1928.

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DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on Saturday, 25th February, 1928 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock noon on MONDAY, 20th February, 1928.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1928.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held in the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, 22nd February, 1928, at 8.30 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927, and to elect Officers, etc.

By Order,

G. E. S. UPSDELL,

Hon. Secretary,

Hong Kong, Feb. 13, 1928.

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RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will OPEN for the Transaction of Public Business at 9.30 a.m. on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 13th, 14th and 15th instant, and CLOSE at 12 NOON. Hong Kong, 8th February, 1928.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 16th February, 1928, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1927, and if thought fit to sanction the payment to the Directors of the yearly sum of \$1,000.00 as an annual bonus in addition to the yearly sum of \$1,000.00 payable to them under paragraph 96 of the Company's Articles of Association as from the 1st January, 1928. The purpose of this is to make effective the following resolution passed at the Annual Meeting of the Company held on 28th January, 1927—"That the Directors' remuneration be increased from \$1,000.00 per annum to \$2,000.00 per annum."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. M. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 30th January, 1928.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 18th February, 1928, at 3.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18th February, 1928, to SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1928, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1928.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th February, 1928, to SATURDAY, the 25th February, 1928, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1928.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 29th February, 1928, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 17th February, 1928, to WEDNESDAY, the 29th February, 1928, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 13th February, 1928.

CYMBERTHAS DEWI SANT HONG KONG.

(St. David's Society, Hong Kong).

THE ANNUAL DINNER of the SOCIETY will be held at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on THURSDAY, March 1st, at 8 p.m. Members are requested to notify the undersigned as soon as possible of the number of tickets they require and the names of their guests.

By Order,

G. S. HUGH-JONES,

Hon. Secretary,

Hong Kong, Feb. 11, 1928.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE?

INVOLVED IN AN ANGRY SCENE.

"LIMEHOUSE."

Mr. Lloyd George, red with anger, demanding an apology; Mr. Walter Guinness, his features white and strained, endeavouring to interrupt Mr. Lloyd George, who would not give way to him; both distinguished members of the House of Commons, facing one another angrily, while Conservatives created an uproar; and the Speaker standing up in an attempt to make them both sit down until he produced order.

This was a remarkable scene which came near the end of a debate on agriculture. It was one of the most turbulent breezes which have blown across the House for months.

The trouble arose from the remark made by Mr. Guinness, the Minister for Agriculture, that the Liberal Party and Mr. Lloyd George were describing the landlord class as "rapacious."

Mr. Lloyd George, who spoke later assumed that Mr. Guinness referred to the Liberal "Green Book," and retorted that Mr. Guinness had evidently read none of it except parts which had been blue-pencilled for him.

Mr. Guinness replied that he did not allude to the "Green Book," and he added: "Mr. Lloyd George's record in attacking landlords is known." The Conservatives raised shouts of triumph, which nettled Mr. Lloyd George.

"Rapacious."

"I never used the word rapacious," he cried to Mr. Guinness. "You ought to apologise."

An echo of an old controversy was then heard "What about Limehouse?" some one cried.

"In that speech," replied Mr. Lloyd George, "I referred to the owners of slums. I stand by what I said."

Mr. Guinness jumped up with triumph in his eyes and read from a speech in which Mr. Lloyd George had said the landlords were at their old professional beggar's tricks.

"Apologise!" cried the Conservatives.

Mr. Lloyd George smiled, and there was loud laughter when he added: "Mr. Guinness has quoted from a speech I delivered thirty-one years ago. That is not the proposition I am answering now. I deny that I denounced the landlords of this country as a rapacious class who ought to be abolished. I ask Mr. Guinness to point out any instance where I have used that word."

Mr. Guinness bounced up again. "Would you like this quotation?" he asked: "Having bled the farmer to the last drop of his blood, the landowner will now seek to bleed the taxpayer."

Mr. Lloyd George demanded, and Mr. Guinness declined to give, the date of the speech.

Conservatives, half in amazement and half in enjoyment of the passion which the references had aroused, cheered and shouted until nothing could be heard above the din. Mr. Lloyd George gesticulated angrily, Mr. Guinness faced him intently, and it was only when the Speaker intervened that silence fell.

NEW PEERS.

HOW THEY FIND THEIR TITLES.

Apart from the rules governing the choice of titles there are a number of general principles which govern the new peer's choice.

One is that the name of a county shall never be used as the designation of a peerage below that of an earldom. There are several counties vacant, but even for a new earl there are reasons against the selection of any except Flint, Merioneth, Banff, Clackmannan, Dumfriesshire, Kirkcubright, Monaghan, or Roscommon. But as none of the three new peers is an earl the counties will be left alone.

Another decree is that when a certain title has once been used for a peerage, even if that peerage has long been extinct, the designation will not be renewed. For a peerage of lower degree. A case in point is that of the title of Liverpool. After the extinction of the original earldom by the failure of male issue a descendant in the female line was created a baron; and desired to become Baron Liverpool. This choice was, however, negatived, and it was not until Lord Hawkesbury was raised to an earldom that the title of Liverpool was revived in 1805.

Another ruling is that where a former peerage is in abeyance or under attainder, its title shall not be chosen for a new creation save by the heir; this because there is always the chance that the attainder may be reversed or the abeyance determined. It was an instance of that rule that produced the concurrent existence of a Marquis of Stafford (a courtesy title) and a Lord Stafford, a baron.

SCOTLAND YARD.

MYSTERIOUS MURDERS UNRAVELLED.

REMARKABLE WORK.

London, Jan. 26. Scotland Yard has been outshining Sherlock Holmes during recent weeks.

With the aid of doctors, pathologists, and expert criminologists, British detectives have unravelled some of the most mysterious murders on the slenderest of clues. Never has Britain's detective force ranked so high.

A broken cobweb proved sufficient to commit one murderer to trial, while experiments conducted on a blade of grass definitely established the guilt of another.

In the case of the broken cobweb, the police initially were at a loss to discover how the peculiar "y" shaped wounds on the victim's head were inflicted.

The trail led to an old cistern. Cobwebs covered the wooden lid. At the right hand side the cobwebs had been broken. The lid was lifted. Inside was found a knobbed bludgeon, wrapped in blood-stained brown paper. The bludgeon consisted of a piece of lead piping, wedged into which were two or three pieces of wood.

House Searched.

A search of a suspect's house revealed that a piece of pipe which normally projected from the outside of the house had been sawn off. Further investigations proved that the piece of pipe found in the cistern matched, and fitted exactly into the space provided by the missing piece outside the house.

Even more astounding was the evidence provided by the blade of grass. The defence had endeavoured to prove that the tragedy for which the prisoner was in the dock charged with murder was due wholly to an accident. It was a case of an alleged poisoning of a two-year-old child by an unmarried mother.

The prosecution then produced its sensation. A scientist was called. He produced a blade of grass in a cardboard box. He had poured over it a similar disinfectant used to poison the infant. He had kept the blade of grass exposed to the open air for over four weeks, but it still bore the smell of the poison. The smell corresponded to the poison recovered from the child's stomach.

Verdict of Guilty.

The jury brought in a verdict of guilty. It will be recalled that a half-burnt, bloodstained match was sufficient to send John Robinson, the Charing Cross trunk murderer, to the gallows.

Here again it was a case of concentrated detective work on apparently insignificant details. But for the minutest search of the murderer's office by a sleuth from Scotland Yard, and the discovery of the match in a wastepaper basket before the janitor had cleared it of rubbish, it is probable that John Robinson would be a free man to this day.—United Press.

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TASMANIA MARU Friday, 17th February.
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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
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SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.
KAWACHI MARU Wednesday, 29th February.
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
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CAPTAIN OF JAPANESE SHIP WOUNDED.

ATTACK AT HAICHOW.

Peking, Yesterday.
Pirates have recently been active off Haichow. They captured one Japanese steamer which was recaptured by the destroyer "Taubaki".
The Japanese steamer "Heiro Maru," en route to Haichow from Shanghai was anchored off Tsing-kow on Feb. 11. When the steamer "Kaitsu Maru" approached her, a junk which put off from the "Kaitsu Maru" was seen to be filled with pirates. The "Heiro Maru" hastily weighed anchor and steamed off but not before the pirates fired at her, killing one seaman and wounding the captain.
Second Ship Attacked.
The "Heiro Maru" reported the incident to Haichow as a result of

which a Japanese gunboat was sent from Tsingtao and the destroyer "Taubaki" from Port Arthur, the latter recapturing the "Kaitsu Maru" on Feb. 12.
Another Japanese steamer reaching Haichow reports a similar experience to that of the "Heiro Maru," on Feb. 10.—Reuter.

Haichow and Tsingtao.
[Note: Haichow is a port in north Kiangsu, now held by the Nationalists of Nanking. It was once a Northern naval base in a minor way. Tsingtao is the former German port, which was returned to China by Japan after the Great War, and is about 150 miles north-east of Haichow. Japanese men-of-war are usually stationed in the vicinity.]

At the Harbour Office yesterday, a departmental enquiry in camera was held to investigate the circumstances of the collision between the Star Ferry launch, "Evening Star," and the Police Launch No. 5.

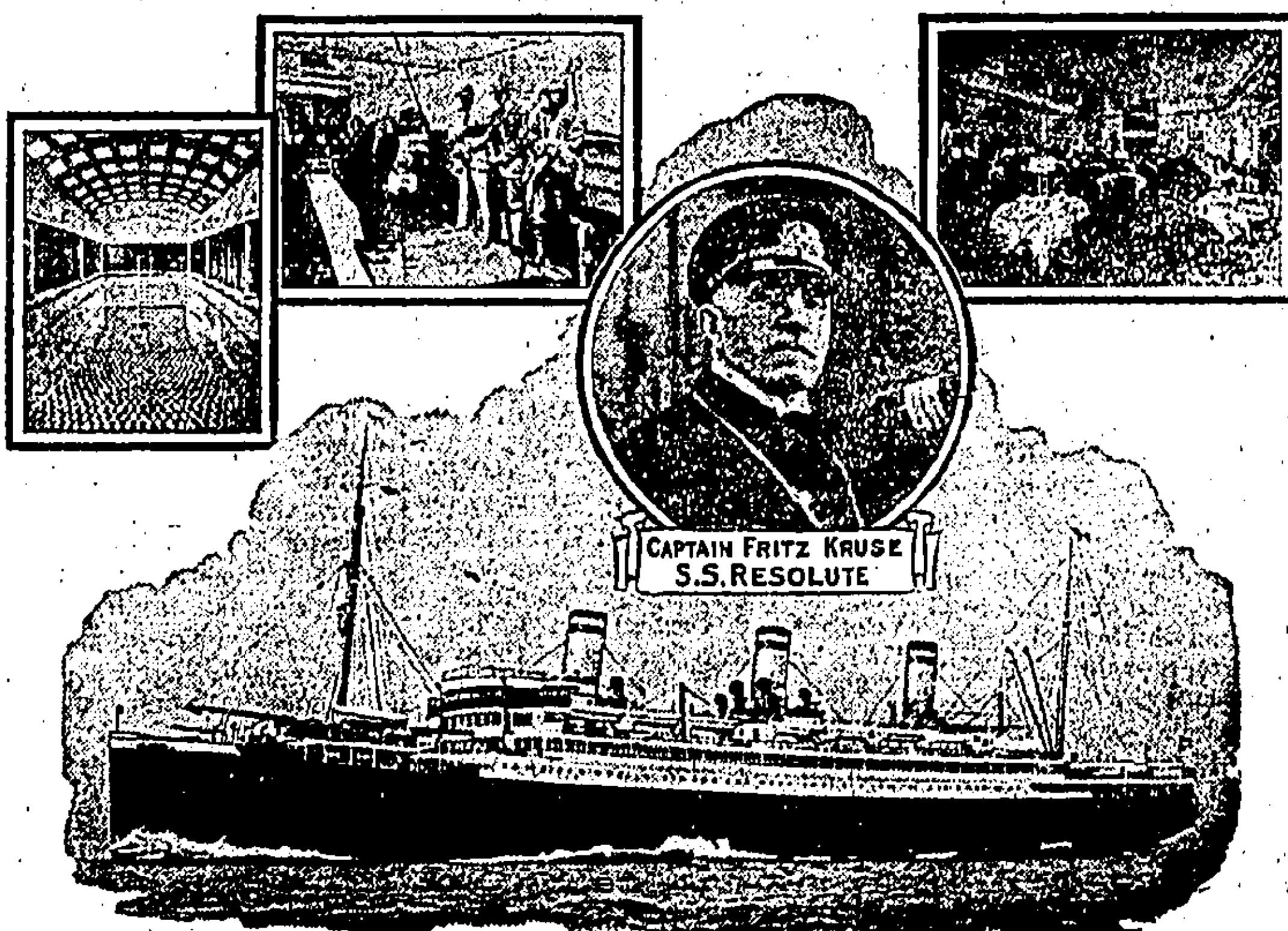
STEAM-LAUNCH AUCTIONEER.

The steam launch "Wai Hung" was sold at the China Auction Rooms yesterday for \$5,800.
Bidding opened at \$4,000. Mr. Chiu Shau-hin, at No. 142, Bonham Strand East, is the purchaser.
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BAD SEAMANSHIP.

Whilst proceeding through the Kowloon naval anchorage yesterday afternoon, a sampan containing five passengers suddenly capsized and all on board were thrown into the water. The boat was immediately righted, however, and all managed to climb on board again. Bad handling of the craft was thought to be the cause of the mishap.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. S. Robinson, O.B.E., B.N.R.), will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. to-morrow.
The P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" left Singapore for this port on February at noon with the outward English Mail, and is due here on February 17 at about 6 a.m.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia," left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai, on February 4, and is due here on February 28.
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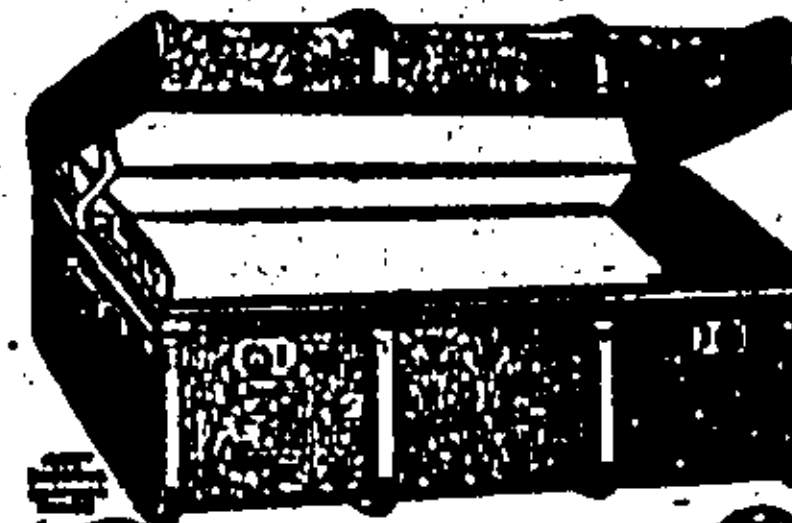
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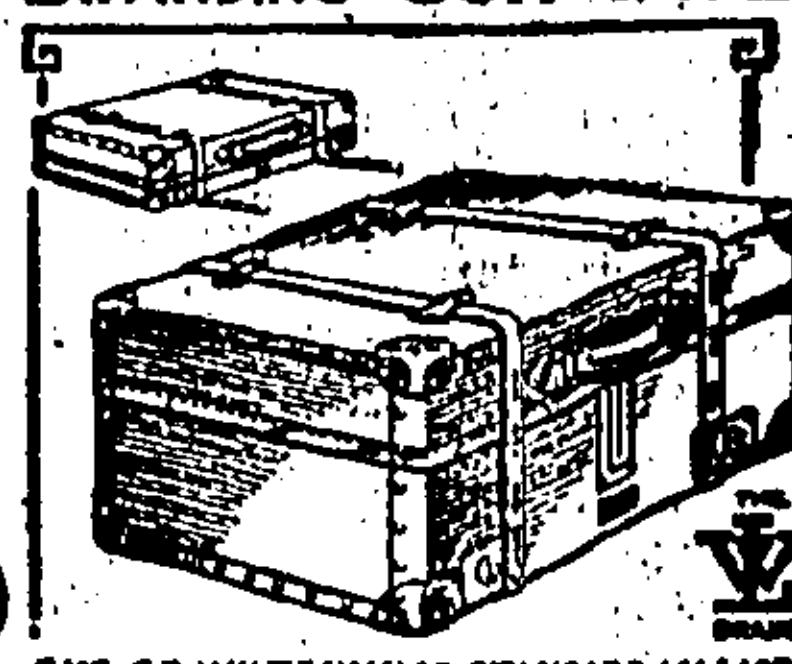
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APPROACHING THE GOVERNMENT.

The report of the general
committee of the Kowloon Res-
idents' Association for the year
ended December 31 last, which is
now before us, truly points to much
helpful and sustained endeavour.
In the year under review the Asso-
ciation was able to prompt and
effect, in the interests of the in-
habitants on the mainland, a num-
ber of improvements. Some may
seem small and of little account,
but collectively they comprise a
budget of things done of which any
"municipality" may be proud. And
it is evident that the Association
has no intention of resting on its
laurels. It is realised that there is
much more to be done, and given a
requisite degree of settledness and
adequate Governmental support,
that which is necessary will un-
doubtedly be accomplished.

The matter of Governmental sup-
port is, of course, the main factor
in regard to anything the Associa-
tion may attempt. Without it,
their labours would indeed be in
vain. Which brings us to a point
which the report may seem to em-
phasise. It is that sufficient Gov-
ernmental support is not forth-
coming. Perhaps, however, this is
not quite the correct way to put it.
Perhaps it would be better to say
that the Association considers its
requests should have been dealt
with with more promptitude, that
the Government is not fully alive
to the importance of the work of
the Association. If this is the view
taken by its members, we are
afraid they are on the
wrong road. The Government's in-

terest in the activities of the Asso-
ciation is instanced by what has
already been done by the author-
ities at the instigation of the K.R.A.
Moreover, it is well known it is
not on record, that Associations sim-
ilar to that in Kowloon are fully
appreciative of and satisfied with
such Governmental support as is
accorded them.

This question of the official atti-
tude towards the Association per-
mits the revival of a plea which
has already been made locally.
This is that the various Associa-
tions—that at Kowloon, on the
Peak, and other places, and those
which might profitably be formed
at Causeway Bay or Happy Valley
and Repulse Bay—should be repre-
sented in one central body which
would deal direct with the local
Government. The plan is one
worthy of consideration and could
no doubt be made effective so that
a perfectly polite and forcible hold
was obtainable upon the official
ear in regard to matters concerning
the respective areas.

POLICE RESERVE.

RIFLE PRACTICE FOR SHARPSHOOTERS.

The following orders have been
issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C.
Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superinten-
dent of Police.

Flying Squad.
Training Part I.—Men detailed
by O.C. are to attend the Central
Police Station on Thursday, Feb.
16, at 5.15 p.m. sharp for Squad
Drill under Sergeant R. J. Hunt.
Sharpsshooters Co.

Rifle Practice.—Rifle practice
will take place on the Peak Range
on Sunday, the 19th inst., at 10
a.m. Members will assemble at the
Upper Tram Station at 9.45 p.m.
Uniform optional.

(Sgd.) L.H.C. CATHROP,
A.S.P., Adjutant.

TELEPHONE WIRE THEFTS.

The theft of telephone wires is
continuing unchecked. Yester-
day Mr. Braude of the Hong Kong
Telephone Co., reported to the
police that another length of wire
worth \$20 was cut and stolen on
the hillside near Shauiwan.

The forthcoming wedding is an-
nounced of Mr. Edward Ball, of
Jordan House, Nathan Road, Kow-
loon, and Miss Agnes Nikoloyeva,
residing at Shaki Sun Kai, Canton.

Mr. L. M. Whyte, Mr. R. J.
Birbeck, Mr. N. C. Perry, Mrs.
Paterson, Mr. J. Paterson, Dr.
and Mrs. C. W. Chockson, and Mr.
T. G. Blakey were among the pas-
sengers who sailed from Hong
Kong to-day by the "Changste"
which is bound for Manila and
Australian ports.

CHINA FUND.

Indemnity Accounts
Issued.

SUBSTANTIAL BALANCE.

The Expenditure An Advisory
Committee Entails.

London, Yesterday.
A White Paper on the account
of the China Indemnity Fund for
the year ended March 31, 1927,
shows that a balance of \$1,831,000
has been banked.

The Shanghai account has been
charged with the expenditure of
\$16,000 incurred by the Secretary
of State under the China Indem-
nity Act and including fees of
\$10,000 and travelling expenses
for six members of the Advisory
Committee who examined the
situation in China.

The White Paper adds that no
steps have yet been taken to give
legislative effect to the proposals
of the Committee.—Reuter.

FAMINE EXTENDS.

TERRIBLE CONDITIONS IN
NORTH CHINA.

MISSIONARIES' OBSERVATIONS

Writing from Peking on Jan.
30, the China International
Famine Relief Commission report
on terrible conditions in North
China. Reuter cabled a précis at
the time. The message in full
reads:—

Latest reports from Tsinan in-
dicate that the famine in the
Shantung-Chi area is getting
more intense every day. This fact
is borne out by the pulling down
of houses in some regions for
sale. In the country side, one
now sees standing walls among
the village dwellings. When the
people are compelled to bargain
the material of their houses for
food and fuel, it is to be taken
as a sign of acute suffering and
excessive privation.

Robbers Add to Terror.

The second indication of the
suffering is the continued emigra-
tion of people eastward to Man-
churia. One special investigator
sent into the field by the Shan-
tung Committee of the Commis-
sion reported that as much as 60
per cent. of the population in the
districts he visited have already
gone, mostly to Manchuria and
other places not so far distant.
Thirty per cent. of those still re-
maining in the villages, according
to the same investigator, are sick.

Reports of other investigators
returning to Tsinan stated that in
western districts of Shantung
many farms have not been plant-
ed winter wheat. Farm animals
are rapidly disappearing as the
crops of famine lightens. Rob-
bers have increased in number
adding to the terror of the already
suffering people, but the ones
whose fate is most pitiful are
those who can neither leave the
place nor find enough food to sus-
tain life.

Children on the Roads.

In Linting region, famine is
also reported to be severe.
"Everyday children are brought
to me," says one missionary.
"They have been picked up from
the road and field. I do not know
to whom I can give them nor how
to support them."

Another missionary in Wen-
cheng says, "Scarcely any rain
fell and attempt was made to
plant the crops but the drought
soon killed everything. In the
past year, there was a failure of
crops on account of the floods and
in consequence the people were
already in debt before this year's
failure. Whoever has a little
money is grateful. At the begin-
ning of December in the 20 vil-
lages, there are at least 1,200
persons who were without food."
One other reported, "In my dis-
trict three-fourths of the people
were having no food since Novem-
ber last. A large part has
emigrated. People cannot find
anyone who will buy their land.
Girls are sold for \$5. The misery
is terrible."

Apalling Figures.

The Shantung Committee of
the China International Famine
Relief Commission was able to re-
port of the courageous efforts
being made by the local officials
to meet the famine situation. In
addition to what has already been
published, they have fed many
famine stricken people in the
province. As much as \$420,000
worth of grain has been obtained
through the local officials from
Manchuria for famine relief. The
military authorities have set
aside one train to be used exclu-
sively for bringing this grain to
Shantung. Another train is being
prepared for the same purpose.
Before the winter is over, the
food for the 25,000 refugees in
Tsinan alone will cost the local
authorities something like \$800,
so far 10,000 suits of cloth-
ing have been distributed
through the governmental
agencies. "But," adds the report,

RUBBER DEBATE.

Inquiry Proposal Aired
in the Commons.

PREMIER REPLIES.

Safeguarding The Interest Of
Producers.

London, Yesterday.
In the House of Commons Sir
Lane Mitchell asked that in view
of the anxiety and uncertainty of
the rubber trade owing to the an-
nouncement of an inquiry into the
restriction scheme, would Mr.
Baldwin give an assurance that
long notice would be given of any
alteration so that the trade would
be able to carry on on the assump-
tion that the present scheme would
continue in force at least for 12
months.

Mr. Baldwin replied he was un-
able to anticipate the nature of the
committee's report or the action
which the Government would take
thereon and asked notice of a ques-
tion as to whether the leaders of
the rubber producing industry
would be consulted before a deci-
sion was taken.

Replying to members who dwell
on resentment owing to the news
of the decision to enquire into the
scheme being known in America
before being announced in London
and the inconvenience caused to
business in the city by the sud-
denness of the declaration and the
suggestion that those interested in
the industry should be consulted
before any announcement is made
of the result of the present inquiry,
Mr. Baldwin emphasised it was
most difficult to provide that an
announcement was known in New
York on February 8, it could only
have been by a misunderstanding
of the terms on which it was given
to press representatives for pub-
lication on February 9.

Sir Frederick Hall suggested
that steps should be taken to deal
with those responsible for leakage
of information.
Mr. Baldwin replied that a leak
was the most difficult thing to dis-
cover.—Reuter.

Personnel of Committee.

Replying to a question Mr.
Amery declared it would be con-
trary to established practice to give
the names of members of committee
like that considering the rubber
restriction scheme.

Further Questions.

Sir Robert Hutchison asked why
the reference of the Stevenson
restriction scheme to a committee
of civil research was not mentioned
when the continuance of the scheme
was announced on February 1.

Mr. Amery replied that the an-
nouncement of February 1 related
solely to the percentage exportable
for the quarter. The reference to
a committee of civil research did
not arise in connection therewith.

He asked notice of a question as
to whether the advisory committee
on the rubber scheme was consulted
before the announcement was made.

Replying to a further question,
Mr. Amery said the assurance he
previously gave was that if any
change in the scheme became
necessary, he would endeavour to
give the longest notice possible.

The Governments of Ceylon and
Malaya had been asked to overhaul
the machinery of the scheme with
a view to increasing the efficiency
of its working.—Reuter.

SUSPECTED REDS.

NINE CHARGED THIS
MORNING.

The nine Chinese suspected com-
munist who, as reported yester-
day, were arrested as the result of
a raid conducted at No. 2, Percival
Street, by Detective Sergeants
Rozeksky and Fitches, were this
morning charged before Mr. R. E.
Lindsell at the Central Magistracy
with the possession of a bomb. It
was indicated that further charges
will be preferred against the ac-
cused later, and his Worship re-
manded the man in police custody
for a week.

Sir Miles Lampson, K.C.M.G., the
British Minister at Peking,
in the course of his visit
to Hong Kong as the guest
of H.E. the Governor, is to be
entertained at the Chinese
Merchants' Club on Tuesday,
February 28. The hosts will be
the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, and
the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall.

"the government alone cannot
meet the problem in its entirety.
We need outside help."

Help Accorded.

In response to the call issued by
the Commission, the American
Advisory Committee of the China
Famine Fund has voted a sum of
\$72,848.12 for relief work in the
stricken area and the Japanese
Red Cross has sent in its donation
of Yen 2,000. In his letter of
transmittal, Baron S. Hirayama,
President of the Japanese Red
Cross, indicated the sympathy of
the Japanese people for the
affected population in China and
Shantung.

P-RAPS-P-RAPS NOT

Highgate wife, complaining of
her husband—He shut the window
with a lot of language.

Wonder what time it is? I'm in-
vited to a dinner at 6.30, and my
watch isn't going.
"Why? Wasn't your watch in-
vited?"

Brown (between the dances):
"There's a lady over there who has
been watching you for some time;
she'll be asking for an introduction
soon."

James: She won't—she's my
wife!

"Pity the poor paragrapher work-
ing overtime to get a joke ready
for the new Ford!" remarks the
"Boston Transcript."

Strangel! The very gentry who
whine and wall about fighting the
foreign aggressor are the same
bright spirits who yell for per-
petual war against their own coun-
trymen who happen to have a little
money!

A well-known London doctor says
that "garters are harmful." Now
we understand this new craze for
rolled stockings. But if it goes on
like this there will soon be excuse
made for dispensing with every
kind of wear—which isn't much
novel—"Queenslander."

The master of the house de-
cided to the cellar, where he found a
man slowly munching his lunch.
"Are you a fully qualified plum-
ber?" he asked.

"Yes."
"But do you hold a diploma for
efficiency?"

"Yes, Why?"
"I don't believe you. You've
connected up the wrong pipes. The
chandelier in the parlour is
spouting water like a fountain, and
the bath room tap has filled the
house with gas."

Irishman at North London—I
went to pay the fine but the court
was closed, so I went to the station,
and begorrah, they arrested me
again.

Solicitor: Your landlady likes
children, she has eight of her own.
Tenant: Well, if they are all as
ugly as she is I am sorry for them.

Abbe (to son Arron)—Arron,
my boy, I thought I told you to
give the cat a pound of meat every
morning.

Arron—I give for it a pound of
meat, farder.

Abbe—Bring me the scales and
I'll weigh him.

Putting the cat on the scales he
found it weighed exactly a pound.

Arron—There, farder, I told you
I had fed it with a pound of meat.

Abbe—Well, if this is the meat,
where is the cat?

In a Cornish town an English-
man opened a shop and put over
the door—"Best shop in the city.
Established fifty years."

A Yankee retailed with—"Best
shop in the world. Established
one hundred years."

Later an Irishman opened a shop
and advertised it as—"The best
shop in the street. Established
yesterday. No old stock."

Old Goldberg was on his deathbed.
His sight was failing, so that he
could barely see the outlines of the
figures of his family gathered at the
bedside.

"Is Rachel there?" he asked.

"Yes, dear, I'm here," replied his
wife.

"Is my son, Solomon, there?"

"Yes, fader."

"Is my daughter, Leah, there?"

"Yes, fader."

"Are all of you there, every one
of you?"

"Yes, fader," came the answer-
ing chorus.

The old man raised himself sud-
denly on his elbow.

"Then who to Moses is looking
after the shop," he asked sharply.

A costermonger, who had never
seen the sea before, said to a fisher-
man.

"Who's ori this water, belong
to?"

The fisherman said: "Us, my
man."

Costermonger: "How much d'yer
charge for it?"

Fisherman: "Oh, we generally
charge sixpence a gallon!"
Costermonger: "Lummel! Well, I'll
take a gallon of that 'ome w' me
for my old woman!"
Fisherman: "That's right."
Costermonger: "Yes; but what can
I put it in?"
Fisherman: "You must go over to
that pub, they'll sell you a jar."
So the costermonger buys a jar,
and has his gallon put in, and then
takes it to the cloak-room and
leaves it there while he goes for a
walk.
Returning later and finding the
tide out he exclaims: "To his mate,
Lummel! Don't they do a good
trade!"

COLONY'S HEALTH.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE LAST WEEK.

FOUR CASES OF TYPHOID.

Last week's return of notifiable disease in the Colony, according to reports to the Medical Officer of Health, is as follows:—

Enteric fever (typhoid): 4 cases in all (2 from the city, 1 each from Kowloon and Aberdeen); of these patients, two were Chinese, one British and one Indian. There was no death during the week.

Diphtheria: 2 cases from the city district—one death during the week.

The only case of notifiable disease reported to the Medical Officer of Health yesterday was that of a Chinese, with enteric fever (typhoid), from the city registration district.

COASTAL CHANGES.

MOVEMENTS IN SHIPS' PERSONNEL.

Mr. J. W. Jenkins, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, "Kiangsu."

Mr. T. P. Beatty, chief officer, "Kiangsu," has gone chief officer, "Kiangsu."

Mr. B. C. Finch, chief officer, "Kiangsu," has gone chief officer, "Kiangsu."

Mr. O. Fox, chief officer, "Chengtu," has gone chief officer, "Taming."

Mr. J. A. McKinlay, chief officer, "Taming," has resigned.

Mr. J. W. Bennett, from Home leave, has gone second officer, "Kanchow."

Mr. R. Allison, chief officer, "Kueichow," has gone chief officer, "Chinkiang."

Mr. W. Jones, chief officer, "Chinkiang," has gone chief officer, "Shansi."

Captain C. S. Isbister, of the "Kiangsu," has gone master, "Kiangsu."

Captain R. T. Stephens, of the "Kiangsu," has gone master, "Kiangsu."

Captain J. W. Lamont, of the "Yunnan," is on reserve.

Captain G. A. Evans, from reserve, has gone master, "Yunnan."

Mr. J. Baxter, from reserve, has gone sup'y chief engineer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. F. J. C. Wilson, third engineer, "Tatung," has resigned.

Mr. F. Appleton, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Tatung."

Mr. J. H. Cameron, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Hupoh."

Mr. R. K. Burns, chief engineer, "Hupoh," has gone sup'y chief engineer, "Hsin Peking."

Mr. R. B. Peck, acting chief engineer, "Nanchang," is on reserve.

Mr. I. Callender, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Nanchang."

Mr. H. Jackson, second engineer, "Fengtien," has gone second engineer, "Shengkang."

Mr. W. Ruxton, second engineer, "Shengkang," has gone second engineer, "Fengtien."

Mr. W. R. Woodman, acting third engineer, "Hsin Peking," has gone second engineer, "Nanchang."

Mr. E. D. Steen, from Home leave, has gone sup'y second engineer, "Kueichow."

Mr. G. R. Stabellie, second officer, "Yusang," has gone second officer, "Hansang."

Mr. E. G. Woodford, second officer, "Hansang," has gone second officer, "Yusang."

Mr. E. A. C. Chambers has been appointed sup'y second officer, "Slangwe."

Mr. S. E. McKinlay, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Fooshing."

Mr. J. Rennie, chief engineer, "Fooshing," is on reserve.

Captain J. G. Hannigan, from Home leave, has gone master, "Shukwang."

Captain A. V. Harcourt, of the "Shukwang," has gone master, "Wokwang."

Mr. G. Wilson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Shukwang."

Captain W. Sudbury, from reserve, has gone master, "Chinkwang."

Captain O. C. Blown, of the "Hsin Tsangtahn," is on reserve.

Captain A. R. Smith, of the "Tsangtahn," has gone master, "Hsin Tsangtahn."

Captain W. D. Rogers has been appointed master, "Tsangtahn."

PASSING THROUGH.

James Van Shyke, 22-year-old American newspaper reporter, arrived in Hong Kong to-day aboard the s.s. "President Jackson," Dollar liner on route to Manila from San Francisco. Mr. Van Shyke is an accredited N.E.A. Service correspondent and is making his first visit to the "Orient," as a cadet aboard the "Jackson." He receives but twenty-five cents per month. His purpose is to get experience.

The official price of standard grade flour in the Home Counties has been reduced by 6d. and is now 42.6d. per sack of 280lb., but the price of bread will not be affected.

"HAIR APPARENT."

SKITS AT BANVARD CO'S REVUE.

HAPPY VALLEY — SADI!

"You ask me why I am sad?—I've come from Happy Valley—and there isn't any 'hair apparent' on my head now," said Mr. John Hagan in one of his many skits on topical items in the Black Bottom Revue presented by the Banvard London Musical Comedy Co. at the Theatre Royal last night.

The Company claims that it is a show packed full of novelty and the first real revue presented in the East. There were not a great number present last night, but the show will be repeated to-night and our advice is "Go." It is well worth seeing, brimful of fun and with an abundance of variety.

Those costumes from Folies Bergeres and Moulin Rouge, Paris, were the prettiest seen on a local stage; but some of the settings were almost as good.

Pretty and Vivacious.

Wednesday's farewell performance from the Lyric. Then this talented company goes to the "Star" Theatre, Kowloon, the programme being "Katja, the Dancer," "Mercenary Mary," "Queen High," and "Review of Revues." There will be a late tram to the Peak each night. Booking is at Messrs. Moutrie's and at the Theatre.

Last night's programme was rigidly adhered to and no encore was given, no matter how pressing the request. The result was that the show gave one the feeling of satisfaction and it ended reasonably early.

Miss Winifred Dalle was pretty and vivacious in "Blue Skies," the stage setting for which was very appropriate—prettier, in fact, than the most charming hula-hula girl we have ever seen and, best of all, she did not give a hula-hula dance.

Fun and Entertainment.

Mr. Lew Marks was only on the stage twice but he carried everything before him as the reminiscent "gay, old boy" of 85 who saw all his lady friends in a vision.

The Misses Edna Ray and Vivienne Towerzy each gave a dance that some will describe as a "stunner" but over which few will argue as to its merits. Mr. Frank Atkinson kept on good terms with the house and, last but not least, the item from which to-night's Revue derives its name is smartly presented. However, there is much more, both in entertainment, and in fun.

GENERAL APPEAL.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY SEEKS FUNDS.

As was emphasised at the recent annual meeting of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society the calls upon the resources of that body are numerous and pressing. With a view, therefore, to adding to its usefulness, the Society is making a personal appeal to residents in the Colony through the post. Together with copies of the annual report (which sets forth concrete examples of how the Society has assisted people in unfortunate circumstances), subscription forms and lists are being distributed, as well as copies of a leading article on the Society's activities which recently appeared in the "Hong Kong Sunday Herald."

"SALVAGED" COAL.

When two Chinese fishermen were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday with the unlawful possession of 6,219 pounds of coal, they said that they had salvaged the coal from the bottom of the harbour. The master of the boat was fined \$75, whilst the other man who was his fok was mulcted in the sum of \$25.

FIRE AT CHEUNG CHAU.

The Water Police have received a wireless message from Cheung Chau that a fire broke out at midnight last night in a small match shed on the island. Details of the outbreak is not yet available, but the message states that two boys were burned to death before the police assisted by the villagers succeeded in extinguishing the flames, which at one time threatened other structures in the village.

At the Cheer 'O, Y.M.C.A. (Queen's Building) Hong Kong, the following events will take place: This evening a special sing-song at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 15, a whist drive at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16, an impromptu dance at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, a concert and dance at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 24, a "Cheer 'O" dance at the City Hall at 8.30 p.m. All services are heartily invited.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

The arrival of vessels recorded at the Harbour Office, to-day, are as follows.

7 British vessels, 4 Japanese vessels, 2 Chinese vessels, 1 German, Norwegian, and French vessels. Total 16.

The cargo imported by the above vessels although not high is a distinct improvement to yesterday's total, the amount imported to-day to Hong Kong totals 11,685 tons, of which 3,840 tons were shipped by British vessels. The through Hong Kong tonnage amounts to 25,074 tons. Most of the said cargo is general merchandise, both through and for Hong Kong.

Of the above figures, the highest imported to Hong Kong is per s.s. "Salsas" from San Pedro, Yokohama—A.T.C.—4,100 tons oil fuel. The highest through cargo is 7,406 tons general by "Asaka Maru" from Antwerp, Singapore, O.S.K. The passenger list for to-day is as follows: Asiatic cabin passengers, 151; Asiatic cabin passengers, 254; European cabin passengers 51. Total 456.

Departures.

For Tourane:—Ching Kong. For K. C. Wan:—Ching Hing. For Haiphong:—Tonkin. For Manila:—Changte, Belgeland.

For Canton:—Paling Maru, Eng. Lee.

For Whampoa:—Hung On.

For Shanghai:—Pres. Pierce, Empress of Australia, Karmala.

For Swatow:—Hydrang, Liangchow.

Amoy:—Taming.

Macao:—Tak Hing.

Clearance.

For Hoihow:—Haydroit.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	Port.
British	7	7	29.
Japanese	4	1	9
Norwegian	1	0	10
Chinese	2	5	17
French	1	1	1
German	1	0	2
American	0	1	0
Dutch	0	0	6
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	2
	16	15	76

PASSENGER LIST.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers sailed from Hong Kong by the s.s. "Changte" on Feb. 14 for Australian ports via Manila were:—Mr. L. M. Whyte, Mr. R. J. Birbeck, Mr. W. G. B. Hall, Mr. N. C. Berry, Mrs. Paterson, Miss Paterson, Mr. C. F. Bird, Mr. J. Paterson, Mr. J. P. Doane, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Chockson, Miss Taylor, Mrs. A. Rutz, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jamieson, Miss H. Jamieson, Mrs. C. A. Bailey, Mr. L. Nevias, Mr. T. G. Blakey, Mr. H. See Poy, Mr. J. Goon Bow, Mr. J. Chung, Mrs. Tam Young She, Mrs. M. H. Goon Bow, Master Dark Hing, Mr. Louey Way-sun, Mr. Kim Jack, Mr. G. Low Mook, Mrs. Low Mook, Miss P. Joyce, Master Aubrey, Mr. Young Yet-poy, Mrs. Sue So-yang, Mr. Chung Can, Mr. Mong Toy.

FELL DOWN STAIRS.

A Chinese woman, 49 years of age, was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital from No. 43, Man Hing Lane suffering from a sprained ankle and a wound on the scalp, received through a fall down the stairs from the second floor of the house.

London, Feb. 14.—Mrs. Churchill, the wife of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has undergone an operation for acute mastoiditis. She is making satisfactory progress.

Mr. O. Steen, general manager in the Orient for the Dollar Steamship Line and American Mail Line, with Mr. W. F. Arndt, the agent at Canton, were among the passengers who left yesterday for the North and American ports by s.s. "President Pierce." Mr. Steen returns to Shanghai, while Mr. Arndt, accompanied by his wife, proceeds on leave.

Mr. Culver B. Chamberlain, Vice-Consul, has arrived in Shanghai and assumed his duties in the American Consulate-General. Mr. Chamberlain has had considerable experience in China, having been appointed a student interpreter in the American Legation in Peking in 1920, and having served in Peking, Canton, Tientsin, and Swatow before coming to Shanghai.

CINEMA NOTES.

"FASCINATING YOUTH" AT WORLD.

INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

Sixteen faces new to the screen are to be seen in "Fascinating Youth," a Paramount picture which is being screened at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow. The Paramount Junior Stars provide the new talent. These students of the Paramount Picture School were selected from 40,000 applicants before being allowed to take an eight months course of study. "Fascinating Youth" serves as their screen debut. In supporting roles—guaranteeing an "all-star" cast—are Ralph Burke and other well known actors and actresses. Part of the story is laid inside a big motion picture studio and one sees just how movies are made. Other scenes take place in Greenwich Village, the Bohemian centre of New York City, and at a winter resort where ice-boating, skating, tobogganing and other sports are in full swing. An ice-boat race serves as the picture's climax and provides some thrills.

"TWO ARABIAN KNIGHTS."

"Two Arabian Knights" is being screened at the Queen's Theatre for the last time this evening. The story deals with the escapades of two soldiers who escape from prison camp, and after many adventures, ultimately arrive in Arabia. The leading players are William Boyd, popular screen star, Louis Wolheim, the original "Captain Flag" of the stage play, "What Price Glory?" and Mary Astor, leading lady for Douglas Fairbanks in "Don Q," and for John Barrymore in "Beau Brummel."

"HE WHO GETS SLAPPED."

Lon Chaney's remarkable film, "He Who Gets Slapped," will be the movie attraction at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow. Besides presenting Lon Chaney in one of his greatest roles as the tragic clown, this picture is notable for the fine acting of John Gilbert and Norma Shearer at the head of a brilliant supporting cast.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

MATCHES PLAYED BY NON-RACE-GOERS.

Several matches have been played by cricketers who availed themselves of the race holidays. Summaries follow:—

Kowloon C.C. (home) defeated Hong Kong C.C. by 38 runs.

Scores:—K.C.C. 164 runs (E. F. Fincher 77 not out). H.K.C.C. 126 runs (Lt.-Com. A. P. Shaw, R.N.; 32; F. Goodwin 3 wickets for 16 runs).

Club de Recreio (home) drew with the Freebooters in a 12-a-side match. Scores:—

Freebooters 141 runs for 9 wickets, dec. (N. Mackay 41 not out, G. T. Evans 23). Recreio 110 runs for 9 wickets (D. Xavier 32, M. Pina 86).

On Sunday, at King's Park, Hong Kong Electric R.C. drew with Mr. L. C. Bellamy's XI. Scores:—

Mr. Bellamy's XI 107 runs for 7 wickets, dec. (T. H. King 11, R. M. Henderson 26 retired, D. Fritz 63 retired; W. B. Muskett 3 wickets for 46 runs, W. Murdoch 1 for 36, J. R. Way 1 for 21).

Electric R.C. 91 runs for 6 wickets (G. Murray 15, W. Murdoch 19, S. J. Stanesby 19, T. Foster 18 not out; T. H. King 4 for 37, D. Fritz 2 for 29).

TREVESSA TROPHY.

NEXT RACE FOR SHIPS' LIFEBOATS.

The ninth bi-annual race for the "Trevesa" Trophy for ships' lifeboats is to be held on Wednesday, March 14, at 4 p.m., under the auspices of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

Ships may enter as many boats in the race as they wish.

The course will be: start from Channel Rocks, thence to Kowloon Rock (p), mark off Yacht Club (starboard), Cust. Rock, gas buoy (p), and finish at the Yacht Club, crossing the line from west to east.

Competing boats must be at the starting line by 3.30 p.m. Ships proposing to enter boats are requested to notify the hon. secretary of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club not later than noon on the day of the race.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—Banvard Musical Comedy Company presents the Famous "Black Bottom Revue," Theatre Royal, City Hall, 8.15 p.m.

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Two Arabian Knights."

To-day—Star Theatre: "He Who Gets Slapped."

To-day—World Theatre: "Fascinating Youth."

February 16-18—Queen's Theatre: "The Magic Flame."

February 16-18—Star Theatre: "In Gods."

February 16-18—World Theatre: "Yolanda."

February 25—Craigongower Cricket Club's annual Bachelors' Dance.

Sports.

To-day—Hong Kong Jockey Club Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

February 17—Golf Match: Ladies' Bogey Competition at Fanling.

February 25—First Extra Race Meeting, Happy Valley.

March 3—"American" lawn tennis tourney (mixed doubles) for members of the Ladies' Recreation Club, 2.30 p.m.

March 3—Fanling Hunt steeplechases (Spring meeting).

March 4—Sixth extra race meeting of Macao Race Club.

March 14—Ninth bi-annual race for ship's life boats ("Trevesa" Trophy) starting at 4 p.m.

February 16—At Sales Room, Miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

Hughes & Hough's Auction.

March 1—At Auction Room, Ice House Street, valuable leasehold property situate in Peak District, 3 p.m.

Meetings.

February 16—Thirtieth annual meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, & Co., Ltd., 12.30 p.m.

February 18—Ninth Ordinary Meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Road Central, 3.30 p.m.

February 21—General Meeting of the Royal Artillery Association, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks.

February 22—Meeting of Hong Kong Automobile Assn. at Messrs. Jardine's, 5.30 p.m.

February 25—Ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hong Kong & Shanghai Corporation, at City Hall, noon.

February 27—The Hong Kong Tramways Limited, hold yearly meeting at Messrs. Jardine's offices at noon.

February 29—Forty-first annual meeting of the H.K. & K. Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardine's, noon.

Miscellaneous.

February 17—Annual dinner of St. Peter's Young Men's Club at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.

February 23—Annual Show of flowers and vegetables at Volunteer Headquarters.

February 28—Sir Shou-sun Chow and Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall entertain Sir Miles Lampson, K.C.M.G., in Chinese Merchants Club.

March 1—Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8 p.m.

A river inspector's launch was attacked by pirates above Chenglin, on the Yangtze, the launch being looted and the laodah killed.

Prof. A. Bary, who was called to Chinkiang for a consultation, has returned to Shanghai.

Among the junior deck officers of the "Empress of Australia," which passed through on her round-the-world tour, is Mr. Eric Coleman, the younger son of the late Commander Coleman and Mrs. Coleman, who lived for a number of years in Singapore, where Commander Coleman was in the Harbour Master's Department.

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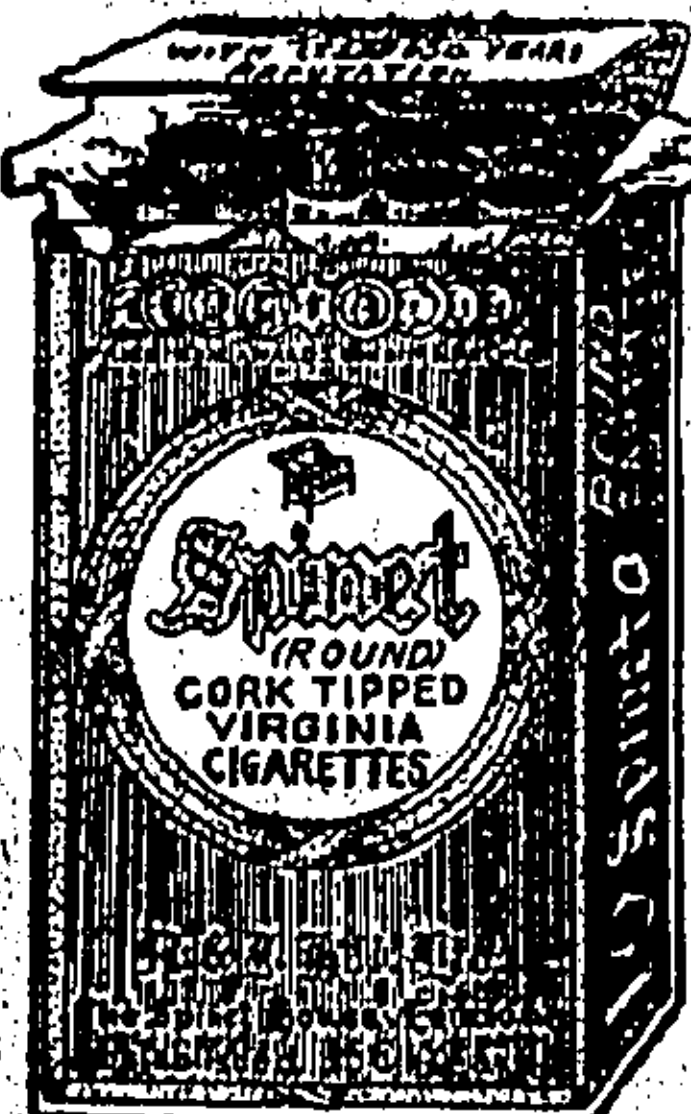
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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The name of Mr. H. L. K. Graburn has been added to the Commission of the Peace for Singapore.

Mr. George Chambers B.Sc., arrived by the "Macedonia" to join the Wilkinson Process Rubber Co., Ltd., Batu Caves.

Mr. E. P. Grimdicy, General Manager for India, of the British Thomson Houston Co., is on a brief visit to Ipoh.

The Governor has appointed Mr. F. A. Pledger to be a member of the Board of Visitors to the Lunatic Asylum, Singapore.

Mr. V. Decunha and Mr. A. Thestera have been appointed export officers in Penang under the Rubber Restriction Ordinance.

Mr. E. J. O'Reilly has been appointed to officiate as Harbour Master and Assistant Superintendent of Government Monopolies, Labuan.

At St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, Mr. V. A. Mason, of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, was married to Miss Jane Irvine.

Dr. R. B. MacGregor has been appointed to act as Senior Health Officer, Penang, and Dr. J. C. Carson as Chief Medical Officer, Malacca.

Members of the West Somerset Hunt made a collection for the guard and the engine driver of a train that was pulled up between Crowcombe and Bishop's Lydeard in time to avoid injuring hounds on the line.



Rear Admiral Henry A. Wiley, Commander of the Atlantic Fleet, who is directing ship orders and those U. S. battleships which will accompany President Coolidge on his trip to Havana, Cuba.

The death occurred at his residence in Kinta Road of Mr. Henry George Kitchen, aged 53 years. He was clerk of works for the Singapore Municipality, but during the 20 years he spent in Malaya he held various posts mostly in connection with planting in the F.M.S.

There will be a late tram to the Peak during the Banvard Musical Comedy Company's season at the Star Theatre. Booking for the season is now open at Moutrie's and the Star Theatre. The four pieces to be given are "Katja the Dancer" on Thursday night, "Mercenary Mary" on Friday night, "Queen High" on Saturday night, and "Review of Revues" on Sunday night.

Among the passengers passing through Hong Kong on the M. M. s.s. "D'Artagnan" are Mr. and Mrs. E. Sigaut. Mr. Sigaut is a member of the French Municipal Council in Shanghai, Agent General of the Far East for the Messageries Maritimes and Managing Director of the Societe Klousin. Also on board, passing through, is Mr. Flori, Chief of the French Police in Shanghai.

At the Shanghai Provincial Court two Chinese were each sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for robbing Mr. Charles Lowrie of the sum of \$15 on the night of January 20 on North Szechuen Road. Complainant declared he and a friend were set upon by four men, including the two accused, and he was robbed of the money at a time when the road was crowded with Chinese holiday-makers.

According to information from the Headquarters of the Garrison Commander of Shanghai, the 3rd and 2nd Battalions of the 13th Army under the command of the Garrison Commander, General Hsiao Shih-hui, have been transferred to Shanghai from Wush and are now stationed at Pootung, Nanshang and Hwangtu for garrison purposes. The 4th Battalion which is now in Changchow has also been ordered to proceed to Shanghai to be stationed in the Chapei district.

Mr. Herbert Hankinson, town clerk of Northampton since 1902, has resigned.

Mr. A. H. Bassett is going from Hursleypoint College to St. Andrew's School, Singapore.

Mr. F. V. Duckworth, M.C.S., has been appointed to act as Deputy Controller of Labour, Penang.

Dr. A. A. L. Rutgers, who is well known in the rubber plantation world for the research work he has done at the Buitenzorg Station in Java, has been nominated as the new Governor of the Dutch Colony of Surinam.



Pedro Guayra, Resident Commissioner of the Philippine Islands.

An agreement for the construction of a sugar factory at Briggs, Lincolnshire, has been signed at the head office of Sugar Industries Auxiliaries, Ltd., London, with the firm of engineers who have secured the contract.

The Athens authorities have decided on a stern repression of Communism in Greece, a number of arrests have been made, and the Public Prosecutor has asked sanction for the prosecution of all the Communist deputies on charges of high treason.

After holding the post of District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge (Scottish) Constitution, Shanghai, for the past five years, Mr. Brodie Clarke relinquished the office, and received the following telegram from the Peking Brethren of the District Grand Lodge Massachusetts Constitution:—Brethren Massachusetts G. G. L. wish you many happy years well earned rest from your masonic duties after so eminently successful administration affairs Scottish D.G.L. Many more morning cups coffee on grandstand-Gillis.



Henri Jasper, Premier of Belgium, who has disbanded his old cabinet and formed a new one eliminating all radical members. This new photograph of the Premier has just been received in the United States.

The Hon'ble Mr. W. H. Thomson, acting Chief Secretary, F.M.S., and Mrs. Thomson gave a dinner at "Caroon" to meet His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Yorkes Tyrwhitt, Bart., K.C.B., D.S.O., D.C.L., Naval Commander-in-Chief on the China Station. Among those present were the Hon'ble Mr. James Lorne, British Resident of Selangor, Captain and Mrs. L. W. Braithwaite, Miss Braithwaite, Lieut. Col. W. R. Meredith, D.S.O., and Mrs. Meredith, the Hon'ble Mr. J. S. Arter and Mrs. Arter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Welham, Miss Betty Thomson, the Hon'ble Mr. Egmont Hake, Lieut. Commander C. Caslon, Mr. W. Bartley and Mr. E. A. Winnington-Ingram. After dinner the party went on to the dance at the Selangor Club.

The Duke of Atholl was successfully operated upon in a nursing home at Edinburgh for appendicitis.

Unrest is reported among the employees of dye shops in the Shanghai city as a result of the cutting down of staffs.

The bodies of John Heaton, aged 37, and William Barrow, aged 44, of Parbold, near Wigan, have been found in the canal near their home.

A Penang correspondent telegraphs that Penang's Poppy Day for 1927 yielded \$28,672 as compared with \$12,864 the previous year.

Mrs. Isabella Marshall, aged 82, and her husband, Mr. George Marshall, aged 81, of Blenheim Road, Holloway, N., died within a few hours of each other.

Seven vessels for freight service on the Great Lakes in Canada have been ordered from the Tyne shipbuilding firm of Swan, Hunter, and Wigham Richardson.

Thieves, who climbed a stack pipe, broke into the residence of Sir Fresham Lever, at Knightsbridge, S.W., and stole some small articles of jewellery.

The Nanking Government Council has dispatched a telegram to General Chang Tin-fang, Mayor of the Special Municipality of Shanghai and Woosung, who recently tendered his resignation, persuading him to remain in office and carry on his duties as usual.



Admiral Richard H. Jackson, former commander of the battle fleet and now on the Navy General Board, who heads a special board of inquiry investigating the sinking of the submarine S-4. The appointment of a special board followed demands by Congress to investigate the sinking of the submarine.

Dr. Herbert Chatley, acting Engineer-in-Chief of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, has been raised to the rank of a full member of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

A burglar entered the first floor of No. 25 Cheung On Street, Kowloon City on Saturday night and got away with jewellery worth \$405 and five telegraphic remittance receipts for sums of from \$400 to \$600.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, two pocket picking cases were heard. In the first instance a pair of spectacles was taken from the pocket of a District Watchman who promptly arrested the light-fingered one. He got two months' jail. The second man took a pouch from the pocket of a Chinese, and he also got two months' hard labour.

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4.—LUSITANO CUP.—presented by the members of the Club Lusitano, for China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting, with \$500 added, second \$200, third \$100, weight for inches as per scale, subscription griffins of this season allowed 5 lb. all winners 5 lb. extra, entrance \$10. One mile. Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes and C. Gordon Mackie's Pickle 158 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1 Mr. Chan Tin-sion's Winsome Stag 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2 Mr. K. H. Kay's Comrade 158 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 3 Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Artistic Hall 158 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0 Messrs. K. C. Lau and H. C. Lee's Duke of Nieblung 158 lbs. (Mr. da Rocha) 0 Messrs. K. C. Lau and H. C. Lee's Duke of Verona 158 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0 Mr. Loo Cheuk Suen's 158 lbs. (Mr. G. da Rocha) 0 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Bounkra 158 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0 Time: 2.04.2/5. A length; 4 lengths. Par-mutuel: — Winner \$15.80; Places: 1st \$5.60; 2nd \$5.40; 3rd \$5.90.

7.—CHALLENGE CUP.—value one hundred guineas, for China ponies, weight for inches as per scale, to be won two years consecutively by a pony or ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners; winner to receive \$750 and 70 per cent. second \$300 and 20 per cent. third \$150 and 10 per cent. of the entrance fees until the Cup is finally won when the second pony will receive 75 per cent. and the third pony 25 per cent. of the entrance fees; entrance \$10. One mile and three quarters. Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's San Diego 158 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 1 Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade Call 158 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 2 Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gomeril 158 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 3 Mr. Chan Tin-sion's Handsome Stag 158 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 0 Mr. L. Dunbar's Hudson Bay 158 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0 Mr. Lee Cheong's Man of War 158 lbs. (Mr. G. da Rocha) 0 Time: 3.59.2/5. A length; 6 lengths. Par-mutuel: — Winner \$33.50; Places: 1st \$3.80; 2nd \$5.60; 3rd \$8.50.

8.—ROYAL NAVY CUP.—presented by the officers of the Royal Navy, with \$500 added to the winner, second \$250, third \$150, for subscription griffins of any season, weight for inches as per scale, winner of the Garrison Cup at this meeting 10 lb. extra, other winners at this meeting 7 lb. extra, subscription griffins of this year allowed 5 lb. jockey allowance, entrance \$10. About one mile, 158 yards. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Tangle 155 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1 Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Kom Tong Hall 155 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 2 Messrs. Teater and Abraham's Bing Boy 155 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 3 Mr. R. M. Austin's Fire Call 150 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 0 Mr. R. M. Austin's District Call 153 lbs. (Mr. Botelho) 0 Mrs. Bernard's Barley Grass 152 lbs. (Mr. G. da Rocha) 0 Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Tummel 152 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0 Mr. Eve's Festive Eve 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0 Mr. George's Horsford 153 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 0 Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Gnome 152 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0 Messrs. Kong Bros.' Sea Front 150 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 0 Major Lake & Capt. Abbott's Berwick 152 lbs. (Mr. Wolfe-Murray) 0 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Dobbins 158 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0 Dr. L. Reidy's Mowgli 153 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 0 Mr. Richardson's Silver Fox (late Sagamore) 150 lbs. (Mr. Tyrwhitt) 0 Mr. E. L. Sim's Kaa 150 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0 Mr. H. P. White's Shingle 152 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0 Time: 2.20. 1 1/2 lengths; 1 length. Par-mutuel: — Winner \$79.12; Places: 1st \$22.10; 2nd \$63.50; 3rd \$12.50.

9.—"BLACK ROCK" STAKES.—winner \$500, second \$250, third \$150, for China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting, weight for inches as per scale, winners of one race other than a race confined to subscription griffins 5 lb. of two or more races 7 lb. extra, entrance \$10. One mile and a quarter. Mr. Dynasty's Heir Apparent 158 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 1 Mr. Eve's Boxing Eve 158 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 2 Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Manor Hall 158 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 3 Mr. K. H. Chermal 158 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Miah Miah 155 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0 Time: 2.57.1/5. Many lengths; many lengths. Par-mutuel: — Winner \$12.10; Places: 1st \$5.40; 2nd \$5.30.

10.—GYMKHANA STAKES.—winner \$500, second \$250, third \$150, for all China ponies that have started for races in at least two extra meetings during the season 1927 and subscription griffins of this meeting, weight 149 lb.; winners of any race other than a race confined to subscription griffins race 2 lb. extra, subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 7 lb.; winners at this meeting barred, jockey allowance, entrance \$5. One mile.

Mr. H. P. White's San Francisco (late San Francisco Bay) 156 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 1 Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains 156 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 2 Mr. R. M. Austin's Grey Knight 156 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 3 Mr. C. T. C.'s Northern Stag 142 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 0 Mr. Chin Lee's Chui Chow Ning 156 lbs. (Mr. Proulx) 0 Mr. Chin Lee's Yuen Sin 156 lbs. (Mr. da Rocha) 0 Col. Comyn's Borderer 144 lbs. (Mr. Sugden) 0 Mr. Eve's Bright Eve 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0 Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Goblin 156 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0 Mr. Loo Cheuk-suen's Tap Siac 156 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter 155 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Ukelele 156 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0 Messrs. F. Usher and L. Reidy's Macao Beauty 156 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0 Time: 2.08.4/5. 1 1/2 lengths; 1/2 length. Par-mutuel: — Winner \$14.90; Places: 1st \$8.10; 2nd \$10.20; 3rd \$9.50.

11.—PERKING PLATE.—winner \$500, second \$250, third \$100, for China ponies, subscription griffins of this meeting, weight for inches as per scale, winners 7 lb. penalty, jockey allowance, entrance \$10. One mile. Mr. H. L. Yung's Chatto 153 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 1 Mr. C. T. C.'s Southern Stag 155 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 2 Dr. S. To Wong's Fair Eyes 152 lbs. (Mr. G. da Rocha) 3 Mr. R. M. Austin's Social Call 152 lbs. (Mr. Erskine) 0 Mr. Carlford's Busaco 150 lbs. (Mr. Miller) 0 Mr. P. W. Dee's Green Slip 150 lbs. (Mr. Proulx) 0 Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin's Ploughman 155 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 0 Mrs. R. M. Dyer's Easing Wood 155 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0 Mr. Eve's Twilight Eve 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0 Mr. Ho Kom-tong's Masonic Hall 155 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0 Mr. E. L. Hosie's The Haugh 152 lbs. (Mr. Maitland) 0 Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes and C. Gordon Mackie's Peter 152 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0 Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Skipper 155 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0 Mr. John Peel's Siang River 150 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 0 Mr. Roda's Zed 155 lbs. (Mr. da Rocha) 0 Mr. W. E. L. Shenton's The Grouse 155 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0 Mr. Union's Fook Shau 155 lbs. (Mr. Loo) 0 Mr. H. L. Yung's Galopin 147 lbs. (Mr. Liang) 0 Mr. L. Dunbar's Bay of Greenland 155 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0 Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Dundee 150 lbs. (Mr. Botelho) 0 Mr. John Peel's Little River 151 lbs. (Mr. Wolfe-Murray) 0 Mr. Seth's Meanwhile 152 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 0 Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's Tarzan 152 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0 Time: 2.10.1/5. 1 1/2 lengths; 1/2 length. Par-mutuel: — Winner \$14.92.50; Places: 1st \$26.20; 2nd \$36.50; 3rd \$10.40.

JOCKEY CLUB.

BOOKMAKERS AND TAX CRITICISMS.

The Jockey Club was criticised when the members of the Bookmakers' and Backers' Racecourse Protection Association, Ltd., met at the Holborn Restaurant for their seventh annual dinner and ball. Mr. T. Oakley, M.P., the chairman, proposing the toast of the association, referred to the Betting Tax, and said that the need for unity was even more apparent now than was the case when the tax was first introduced. Nobody had failed more at a critical time than had the Jockey Club, who had advocated what would only be called "panic legislation." The introduction of the totalisator would run horse-racing and horse-breeding. It was absurd to suggest that the totalisator could stop the rot. "The Jockey Club," he said, "has taken the attitude of ploughing a lonely furrow and not assisting other members of the racing community."

Mr. Albert Marks, president of the association, replying, said: "The bookmakers can and do lose, but the 'tote' never. The public must decide whether they want the bookmakers or the totalisator. The success or failure of the new scheme for betting must be decided by the public, who must be furnished by their patronage." There was one branch of work in connection with the race-

LOCAL HOCKEY.

TIE IN SIM SHIELD COMPETITION.

LEADERS TO PLAY OFF.

The Royal Navy and the Army have tied with an equal number of points on completion of their fixtures in the Sim Shield hockey competition, and will have to play off to decide the championship. Yesterday the Army won their last match, against the Royal Air Force, by eight goals to two. They led in the first half by 6-nil.

The final between the Navy (holders of the Shield) and the Army, which is being keenly looked forward to, has been fixed for Saturday afternoon on the U.S.R.C. ground.

The positions of the Clubs to date are:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Royal Navy	6	5	1	0	24	6	10
The Army	6	5	1	0	24	11	10
H.K. Hockey Club	5	1	4	0	8	19	2
Royal Air Force	5	0	5	0	6	4	24

The Navy have a better goal average but only points count. They have beaten the Club and R.A.F. twice each; and lost to each other once.

GOLF.

AMATEUR POSITION IN 1927.

NEW PERSONALITIES.

The year 1927, now drawing to a close, has, in the realms of amateur golf, been singularly uneventful and unexciting, due in a large measure to the absence of the American players, wrote the "Observer" golf correspondent at the end of December. Having surrendered the championship without any attempt to defend it, Britain perforce regained possession of the title, and it is now her business to see that it stays here.

In Dr. Tweddell we have an entirely new figure in golf, a man worthy in all respects to rank as a champion. Dr. Tweddell is a young man of vision and courage, an individualist who has worked out his own golfing salvation with a degree of success that is quite remarkable. If there is any similarity in style, methods, and outlook, then I think that Dr. Tweddell more closely resembles Mr. Jones than any other player. There is the close stance, the compact swing, and the same economisation of effort. Dr. Tweddell, like Mr. Jones, is essentially a stroke, or score, player, and because of this very characteristic he is a very elusive match player.

"In most cases, he says, 'Old Man Par' is good enough to beat anybody.'—So it is, but this machine-like golf, where the opponent is more or less ignored and his shots disregarded, is so very inhuman in its conception that it is quite beyond the grasp of the ordinary man. Anyhow, Dr. Tweddell has embraced the principle of playing the holes instead of the man with such success that he is now a champion. At Stourbridge, where he plays most of his golf, Dr. Tweddell not only makes a habit of winning competitions in astonishingly low scores, but not so long ago he became the open champion of the Midlands, beating all the professionals in this large area.

It has been a most noteworthy year for Midlands golf, because a Birmingham player, Mr. T. P. Perkins, captured the English championship. In addition, Mr. Perkins, along with Mr. W. B. Torrance, was the leading British amateur in the Open Championship at St. Andrews with a score of 800, a figure that put into the shade many a performance by professionals with world-wide reputations.

course management to which he would like to draw attention, and that was the supervision of the ring. Three years ago new officials were appointed by the Jockey Club for this department, and their thorough and efficient work had attained results never before achieved in his forty years' experience of the racecourse. This was a matter of much satisfaction to the association, as the splendid efforts of Major Wymer, who was in charge of this work, helped considerably in carrying out some of the principal ideas for which the association was formed.

FIGURES TO KNOW.

HANDY INFORMATION FOR THE RACES.

CASH SWEEP RESULTS.

Results of drawings of cash sweeps on to-day's Derby are as follows:—

CHINESE CLUB.

First Prize	\$100,800
Second Prize	28,800
Third Prize	14,400
Handsome Stag	08970
Winsome Stag	01921
Bakers Bay	04147
Coos Bay	07918
Deepwater Bay	13842
Monterey Bay	12446
Sitting Bull	08357
Young Pretender	07662
Heir Apparent	12007
New Year's Eve	17400
Boxing Eve	01880
Blackstone Hall	12862
Guild Hall	05541
Manor Hall	10059
Peck	13787
Pickle	04000
Comrade	11417
Captain	19629
Duke of Verona	18527
U Un II	18933
November	09333
Mish Mish	16319
Movanagher	12383
Harlene	10423

SOUTH CHINA A.A.

First Prize	\$151,200
Second Prize	40,000
Third Prize	20,000
Handsome Stag	26148
Winsome Stag	19836
Bakers Bay	11727
Coos Bay	29294
Deepwater Bay	14093
Monterey Bay	02559
Sitting Bull	20408
Young Pretender	01791
Heir Apparent	12216
New Year's Eve	17685
Boxing Eve	10899
Blackstone Hall	09071
Guild Hall	18836
Manor Hall	28474
Peck	28237
Pickle	26594
Comrade	02696
Captain	11429
Duke of Verona	06464
U Un II	00863
November	20064
Mish Mish	18309
Movanagher	22711
Harlene	29900

EASMA CLUB.

Handsome Stag	10793
Winsome Stag	11177
Bakers Bay	19881
Coos Bay	7200
Deep Water Bay	7107
Monterey Bay	10839
Sitting Bull	10487
Young Pretender	16937
Heir Apparent	19362
New Year's Eve	16454
Boxing Eve	10071
Blackstone Hall	19030
Guild Hall	6436
Manor Hall	17842
Peck	18692
Pickle	7065
Comrade	17970
Captain	12462
Duke of Verona	10148
U Un II	16490
November	19395
Mish Mish	10291
Movanagher	17472
Harlene	10158

STABLE FORM.

Owners and Jockeys on the First Day.

The first day's racing honours were apportioned as follows:—

	1st	2nd	3rd
Mr. Maitland	4	1	—
Mr. Haimovitch	2	1	—
Mr. Pote-Hunt	1	3	2
Mr. Heard	1	2	2
Mr. Charles	1	1	—
Mr. G. da Rocha	1	1	—
Mr. Wong	1	—	—
Mr. Bulteel	1	—	—
Mr. Harriman	1	—	—
Mr. Usher	1	—	—
Mr. Stanton	1	—	—

	1st	2nd	3rd
Mr. L. Dunbar	3	1	—
Mr. Eve	1	2	1
Mr. H. Seth	1	—	—
Mr. Dynasty	1	—	—
Hon. Mr. A. C. Haynes and Mr. C. G. Mackie	1	—	—
Mrs. Dunbar	1	—	—
Mr. Moon	1	—	—
Mr. Hau Un	1	—	—
Major Lake	1	—	—
Mrs. R. J. Paterson	1	—	—
Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin	1	—	—
Dr. S. T. Wong	1	—	—
Mr. Chan Tin-sion	1	—	—
Mr. George	1	—	—
Mr. R. M. Austin	1	—	—
Mr. Wayfoong	1	—	—
Mr. H. P. White	1	—	—
Mr. Richardson	1	—	—
Mrs. Priestley	1	—	—
Messrs. Stanton & Reidy	1	—	—
Messrs. Usher & Reidy	1	—	—
Mr. R. J. Paterson	1	—	—

TURF DISPUTE.

GERMAN RACING CLUB SUE.

Berlin.—An unusual action has been started against the Hamburg Racing Club by the well-known owner, Herr. M. J. Oppenheimer, in connection with the last Hamburg Derby, when his horse "Libertas" was beaten by Mah-Jong by a head. He claims damages owing to the starter having assigned a position to the horse in a puddle of water, whereby it sustained injuries in taking off, and in consequence not only lost the race, but was incapacitated for the rest of the season.

The proceedings are not regarded with favour in Turf circles, according to the "Berliner Tageblatt" it being held that the starter was within his rights in allotting any position he chose to this horse, which was notoriously a nervous animal. The race, it is admitted, was run under deplorable weather conditions, but it is contended that the owner could have withdrawn the horse. "Central News."

F. C. Toone, the Yorkshire County secretary, is likely to be the manager of the English cricket team in Australia next year. He is very popular out there.

The majority of the clubs in the English Football League report a considerable decrease in receipts this season, owing chiefly to the bad weather. A number of them in the Northern Section are finding it difficult to carry on.

HOME FOOTBALL.

MATCH IN THE SOUTHERN DIVISION.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

London, Yesterday. The following match was played to-day in division III. (southern section) of the Football League:— Coventry 2, Crystal Palace 2. (at Coventry).—Reuter.

FULL LEAGUE TABLES.

Aston Villa's Position Greatly Improved.

EVERTON MAINTAIN LEAD.

The following tables show the present positions of the teams, the midweek and Saturday matches having been taken into account in their compilation.

Division I.	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.	F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	23	15	7	7	73	49	35	40
Huddersfield	27	15	4	8	67	47	34	34
Leicester	20	13	7	9	68	51	33	33
Bolton	27	13	5	9	57	42	31	31
Cardiff	27	11	8	8	48	40	30	30
Newcastle	25	14	2	13	80	66	30	30
Tottenham	28	11	10	10	56	54	29	29
Nottingham	28	12	5	11	58	59	29	29
Blackburn	28	10	9	9	40	49	29	29
Sunderland	26	10	7	9	48	47	27	27
Aston Villa	28	11	5	12	53	52	27	27
Arsenal	20	10	7	9	55	50	27	27
Liverpool	27	9	8	10	58	52	20	20
Bury	28	12	2	14	47	53	26	26
West Ham	27	11	4	12	56	65	26	26
Middlesbrough	28	9	8	11	60	61	26	26
Derby	27	9	7	11	63	60	25	25
Sheffield U.	28	9	7	12	50	60	25	25
Manchester	27	10	5	12	47	52	25	25
Birmingham	27	6	11	10	44	50	23	23
Portsmouth	27	8	13	43	68	22	22	22
Wednesday	27	5	9	13	49	60	19	19

Division II.								
	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals.	F.	A.	Pts.
Chelsea	27	17	6	4	65	27	40	40
Manchester	27	17	4	6	69	42	38	38
Preston	28	16	6	6	64	40	38	38
Leeds	28	16	4	8	71	40	36	36
Oldham	27	14	6	8	66	38	34	34
Stoke	27	14	6	8	61	40	34	34
Notts. For.	26	12	6	8	63	50	32	32
West Brom.	27	11	8	9	63	52	30	30
Port Vale	27	13	2	12	47	40	28	28
Bristol C.	27	11	6	11	55	52	28	28
Hull	28	9	10	7	33	34	25	25
Grimsby	27	10	8	9	45	55	25	25
Swansea	27	11	5	11	54	52	27	27
Notts. C.	27	8	12	7	40	25	23	23
Clapton O.	27	9	5	13	41	57	23	23
Barnsley	28	8	7	13	35	61	23	23
Blackpool	28	8	6	15	56	73	22	22
Southampton	27	7	14	43	54	21	21	21
Reading	27	7	13	39	56	21	21	21
Wolves	27	7	15	42	68	19	19	19
South Shields	27	3	6	19	40	83	11	11

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RADIO TOPICS

AN INNOVATION.

WIRELESS WITHOUT BATTERIES.

HIGH-TENSION UNITS.

At the present time many people are considering the possibility of obtaining power for their wireless sets from the electricity supply mains. Of the three necessary supplies, high tension, low tension, and grid bias, the last-named is not very important, since grid bias batteries are comparatively inexpensive and need to be renewed only at infrequent intervals. Concerning the remaining two, it will probably be admitted that the high-tension supply is the more pressing need, since the ordinary low-tension accumulator is, on the whole, very satisfactory, especially when the use of low-consumption valves makes frequent charging unnecessary.

A large number of high-tension battery eliminators have been placed on the market, and many, but by no means all, of them perform excellently, both A.C. and D.C. models being available. If the eliminator be regarded merely as a more convenient substitute for a dry battery, it is probable that one of its chief advantages will be lost. Nearly all wireless sets using dry high-tension batteries are operated with valves which are incapable of dealing adequately with the power necessary to drive a loud-speaker for use in a normal sized room, simply because it would be too expensive to provide plate current for power valve of sufficiently low slope resistance. With a mains unit, on the other hand, the actual cost of the current is almost negligible, being usually less than that used by an ordinary 30-watt lamp.

The restriction as to the valves to be used in the wireless set is thus removed. This will, in general, only affect the power valve. For ordinary loudspeaker use this valve should be of the power type having an amplification factor of 3-4 and a slope resistance of about 3,000 ohms. About 120 volts should be applied to it. Under these conditions, and with the appropriate grid bias, its plate current will be about 25 milliamperes, so that we may say that the overall plate current consumption of the set will not exceed 30 milliamperes. In choosing an eliminator, then, it is first of all necessary to ensure that the voltages across its output terminals are up to their rated values when the eliminator is actually delivering the correct amount of plate current (say, 30 milliamperes) to a wireless set.

The Eliminator. Having chosen an eliminator which will give its rated voltage on load, it is advisable to ascertain whether the voltage rises very greatly when the load is removed. This precaution is of secondary importance, and will only be of importance if at any time the power valve of the wireless set ceases to take its normal plate current (owing, for example, to loss of emission), when the rise in voltage of the eliminator might be sufficient to damage the remaining valves. Most wireless dealers employ technical assistants who will readily carry out the above tests for the prospective purchaser.

As already mentioned, distortionless loud-speaker reproduction cannot be obtained with valves taking less than about 25-30 milliamperes total plate current, and in the case of a D.C. eliminator it would be bad policy to select one which was not capable of giving such a current at its rated voltage. When

BROADCAST CRISIS

NEW FRENCH BILL TO RAISE FUNDS.

Paris.—There are few of the principal countries in Europe

where broadcasting is so backward as in France. The trouble is due to the difficulty of reaching a decision on the character of broadcasting—whether it should be a State monopoly or whether it should have a sort of controlled liberty. In order to effect improvements in the service a clause was inserted in the Budget imposing new taxes, but the Communists tried to force a debate on the matter, and M. Poincaré, fearing that a long discussion would retard the passing of his Finance Bill, had the clause separated from it.

The present situation is that the Wireless Telegraphy Act passed in 1926 is nullified by this non-ratification by Parliament. No resources are available, and in view of this precarious situation the Government has decided not to give authority for establishing private posts, but to submit to Parliament a bill for raising the necessary funds. As matters now stand, the existing private broadcasting stations may disappear before July 1 next.

The situation has been complicated by the action of authors and composers, whose works were broadcast without royalties being paid. It was in order to provide for such royalties that it was proposed to increase the tax to 10%. As, however, Parliament has not passed this tax and as there are no means available for paying royalties to authors and composers, it will be impossible to broadcast modern works.

Broadcasting in France requires, in fact, to be completely overhauled, and curiosity is felt as to the ultimate decisions of Parliament.

One is dealing with A.C., however, the cost of the eliminator will depend largely on its current output, and it may be necessary to effect a compromise by using a power valve, which will only require about 7 milliamperes plate current, at the cost of a certain amount of distortion.

An eliminator should also be tested for absence of hum. Since this hum depends to some extent on the electrical apparatus in the vicinity, the test can only be carried out satisfactorily at the place where the eliminator is to be used. Since one wire of the electric mains is usually earthed when an eliminator is used, the wireless set must have a condenser in the earth lead, or short circuits may occur. Such a condenser is usually provided on the eliminator itself. In the case of a D.C. three-wire system, however, a further precaution is necessary, since if the negative side of the system is being used to drive the eliminator the aerial of the wireless set will be alive. This difficulty can be overcome by placing a .001mf condenser of good make in the aerial lead.

A difficulty frequently encountered when using high-tension eliminators is the production in the wireless set of an oscillation of very low frequency of the order of 20 periods per second. This is caused by the fact that, from the point of view of the high-tension supply, the set has a negative resistance. In other words, a transient increase in high-tension voltage will cause a transient decrease in plate current. It follows that oscillations will be set up in the eliminator smoothing circuit. Where transformer coupling is used the trouble can be overcome by reversing the leads to one side of the last transformer. With resistance coupled sets there is no such simple remedy. However, the substitution of high inductance chokes (say 100 henries) in place of grid leaks in the low-frequency amplifier will usually prove effective.

RAILWAY RADIO.

CONTROLLING TRAINS BY WIRELESS.

WELL RECEIVED.

The Time-Honoured Method of signalling switching engines by flashes of light from a tower may be discarded in the future in favour of the radio-telephone, we are told by S. R. Winters, writing in "Radio News" (New York). Experimental tests conducted by the Bell Telephone Laboratories at Gibson, Indiana, prove successful in controlling the shifting of long lines of freight-cars, communicating from a central control point to the engine by radio. In a measure, a radio antenna displaced the ordinary coloured signal lights at the lower or the switchboard of the so-called "hump." Mr. Winters writes further:—

"The tool-box of the locomotive engineer contained a radio receiving set, but instead of listening to just a Cottage Small, by a Waterfall, he heard such orders as 'Slow down to two miles an hour.' It was a four-tube set and it was connected to a loud-speaker located in the locomotive cab just above the head of the engineer. It was not necessary to tune the receiver—the controls were locked and the cover closed and fastened—and the engine-man merely had to turn on or off the outfit. Green lights indicated that it was functioning properly; red lights warned that the vacuum-tubes had burned out."

Structurally this receiving set consisted of four vacuum-tubes, deriving their power supply from batteries. Difficulty was experienced in finding space for the antenna for the receiver; it being finally placed on the rear of the tender. It consisted of 150 feet of rubber-covered wire, wound around a form built of two-by-four timber.

On Control Point.

"The transmitting set used in these novel tests could be plugged into a lamp socket. In these experiments the source of power was the current you might expect to find in any house-lighting circuit. The outfit closely resembled a broadcast transmitter, except that low power was used and it operated at shortwave-lengths."

"The transmitting set was installed at the so-called 'hump' or the control point, where the yardmaster maintains his base of operations. The transmitter itself was installed in the house at the 'hump.' The operation was reduced to utmost simplicity—relays being provided so that the sending set could be placed in action by pushing a button on the microphone handle."

"P. H. Betts, who designed the receiving set, tells us:—

"To the Gibson yard come freight-trains from all directions. It is the purpose of the yard to sort out the cars for each destination. The incoming train is shoved up to the top of a hill called the 'hump'; a car or a group of cars is 'cut' from the train and coasts down the other side of the hill into the appropriate track. This requires frequent signals to the engineman."

"The usual railroad method uses coloured signal-lights set from a switchboard. But it is obvious that if more orders could be indicated, or if individual orders could be given to fit every specific case, the control would be more efficient. Then, too, mist almost obliterates the signals. At best they are only dimly visible in good daylight; and in the afternoon the sun is back of the signal and makes its light almost invisible to the engineman. When the signal lights are totally obscured, the roundhouse whistle is used. This, of course, is cumbersome, and a better way of communicating with the engineer was sought."

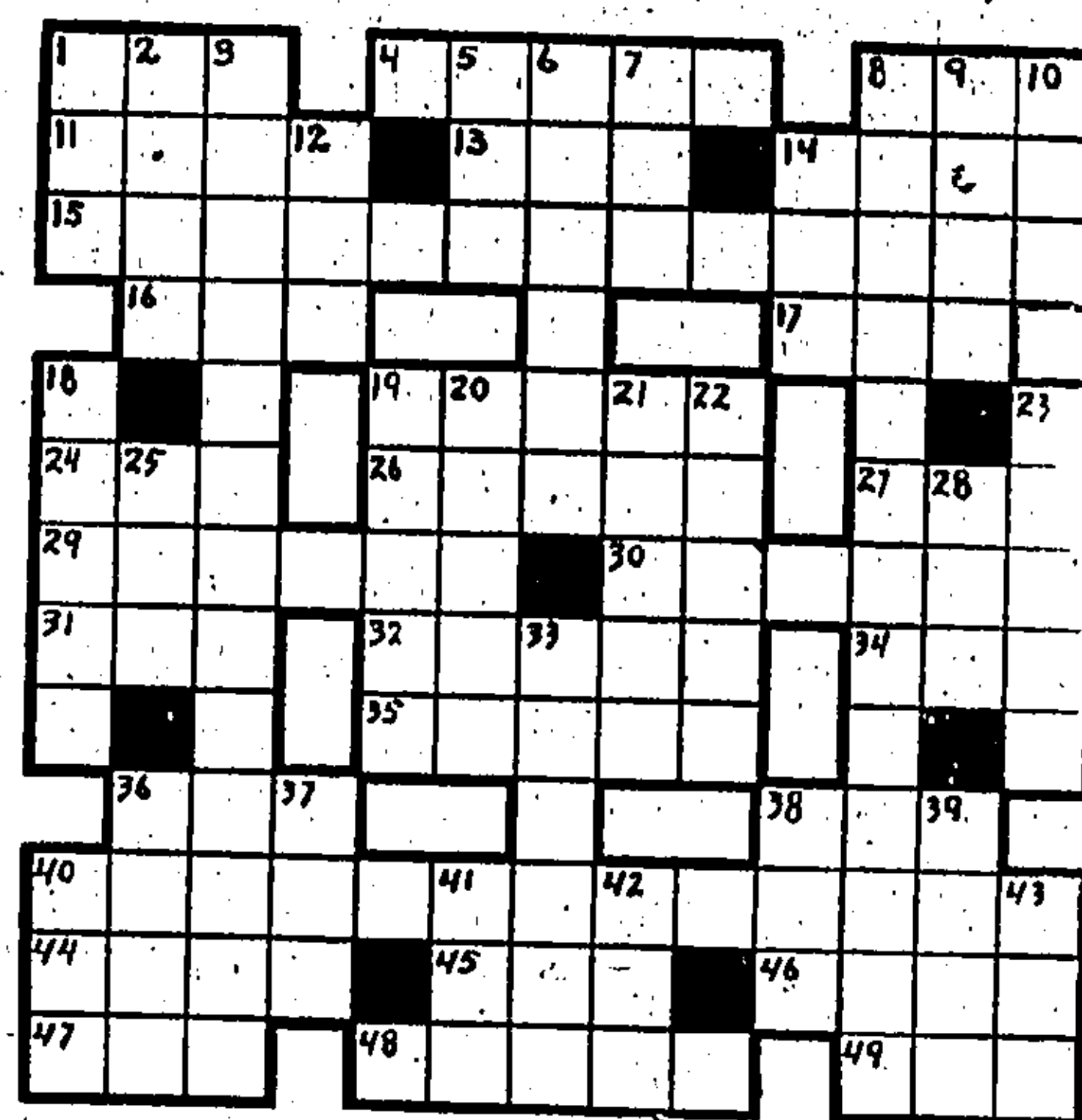
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"The results are described as follows:—

"After the preliminary testing the system was turned over to

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

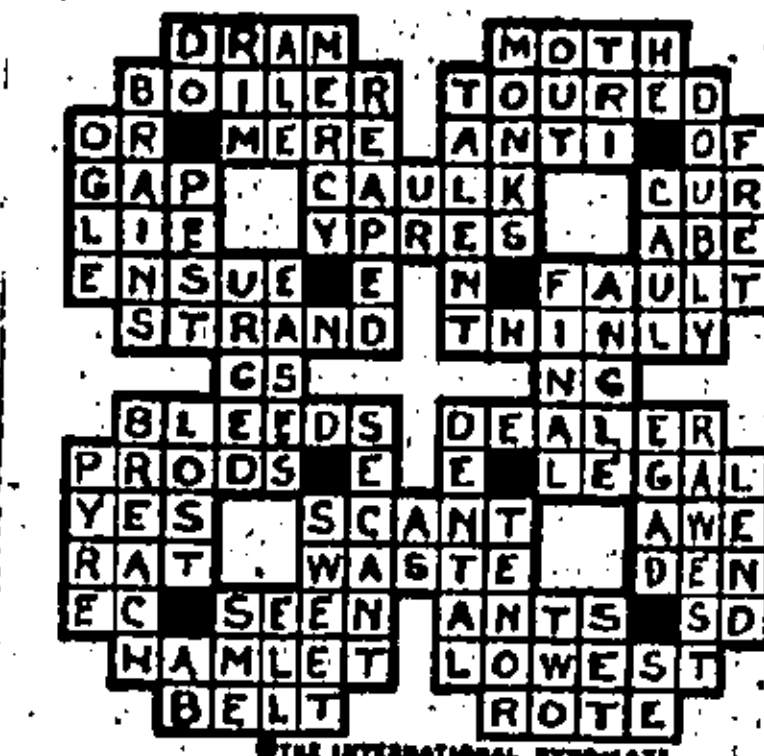
(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
- 1-What is one thousand and two in Roman numerals?
 - 4-Marked by severity
 - 6-To proclaim
 - 11-During some past time
 - 13-Single
 - 14-An entrance
 - 15-What is the gigantic fossil reptile, the "lizard," called?
 - 16-Corrupted
 - 17-Sooner than
 - 19-What Indian chief was called the "Friend of the White Man"?
 - 24-On what first is Dundee, S. E. Scotland?
 - 26-What Greek combining form means "serpent"?
 - 27-Conjunction
 - 29-Select
 - 30-Sullen
 - 31-What is the nickname of Henry?
 - 32-What is the first sign of the zodiac?
 - 34-What is a hedgerow called in England?
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- 35-What is a level sandy region, well known for farming called in S. W. France?
 - 36-Past
 - 38-A boll on the eyelid
 - 40-In surveying what is the laying out and measurement of a network of triangles called?
 - 44-Hush! Hush!
 - 45-To urge to action
 - 46-A food bird
 - 47-To feed
 - 48-A lay
 - 49-Which one of Napoleon's marshals was shot by the restoration government?
- VERTICAL**
- 2-What is another French word for "harshness"?
 - 10-A time-period (pl. abbr.)
 - 12-Old way of spelling "ate"
 - 14-Appropriate
 - 16-Affected with itch
 - 18-Referring to place in general
 - 20-What is a musical drama?
 - 21-Purposed
 - 22-What is a slipshod?
 - 23-Warrior
 - 25-Intersection—abbr.
 - 26-Serviceblankes
 - 32-What is an Alaskan Eskimo called?
 - 36-What is an air or melody?
 - 37-A cereal grass
 - 38-City thoroughfare (abbr.)
 - 39-In time past
 - 40-Article
 - 41-What is an old made from clarified butter called in India?
 - 42-Permit
 - 43-No

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



RADIO IN 1928.

PROSPECTS FOR THE NEW YEAR.

What will wireless bring us in 1928? Prophecy of this kind is, I realise, perilous (writes a Wireless Correspondent), but I think there are one or two directions in which our feet can safely tread.

Its progress in the year just ended has been equal to that made in its earlier stages, and I see no reason why even greater strides should not be made in the coming months. I feel quite certain that we can safely wager upon.

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The admission of controversial matter into the material available for programmes.

The settled policy type of broadcast acceptable to the majority and given to make no one think is not, I believe, in the best interests of broadcasting. Stimulus is lacking in the fare so far provided. What can give the flip needed? Not novelty—that, I aver, is played out except for the small minority of new listeners who would naturally treat all things wireless as novel.

No, I believe the "programme for listeners who think" has yet to come and will arrive—even if a station has to be reserved for it!

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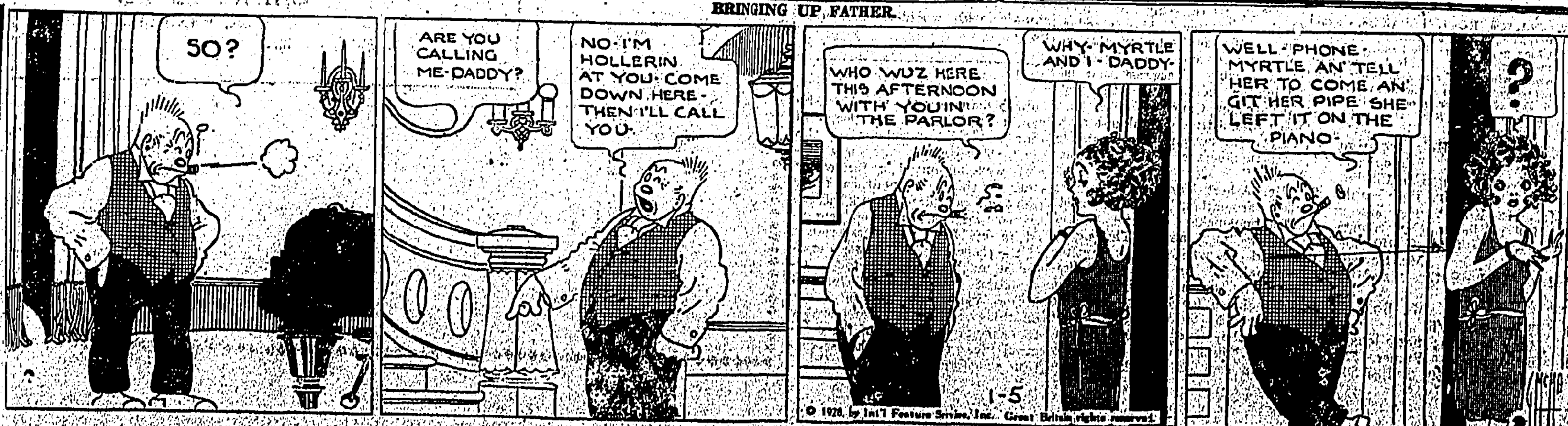
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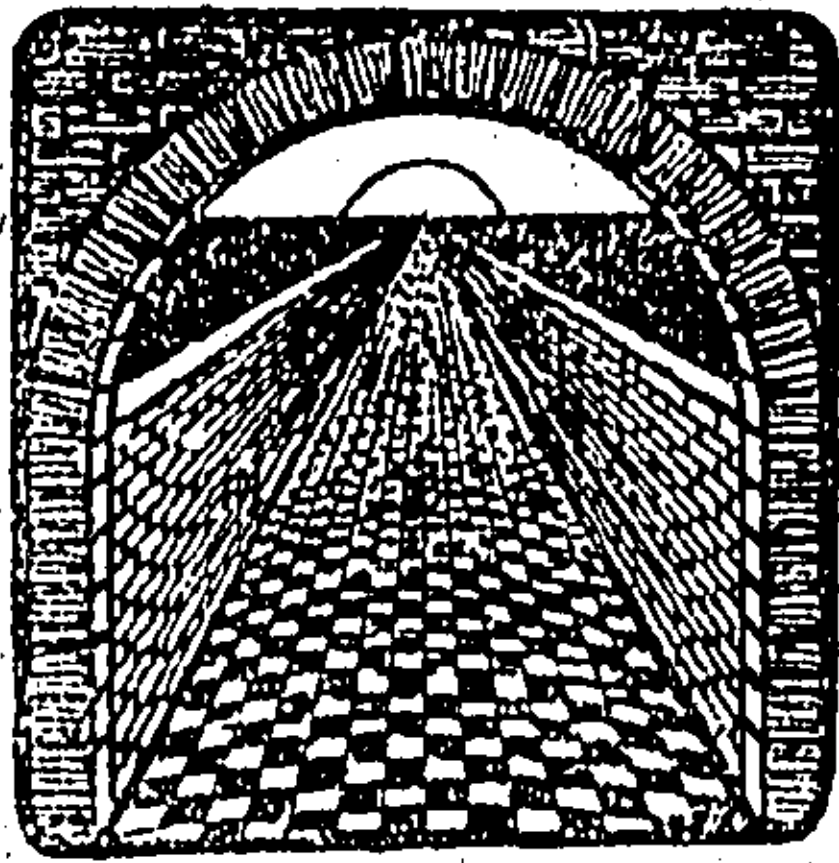
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"MORE EXTORTION."

CHINESE DEMANDS IN EX-CONCESSIONS.

A TIENSIN EXAMPLE.

Tientsin, Jan. 30.
The latest attempt at extortion by the local Chinese authorities has taken the form of a demand upon Foreign property-owners in the ex-Russian Concession to pay a special "Anti-Red Tax" calculated on the existing Rental Assessment tax. A well-known foreign firm in Tientsin, with property in that area, on Saturday last received the following interesting communication from "the Special Bureau for Administrative Affairs" of the 3rd Special Area:

Tientsin, 28th Jan., 1928.

Messrs.

Present.

Dear Sirs,
By order of the Governor of Chihli Province all House Owners of the Three Special Areas, both Chinese and Foreigners, are invited to pay within one week from the date of this letter, a Special Anti-Red Tax, calculated proportionally to their Rental Assessment Tax paid for last year.

By informing you of the above I beg to approach you with the request to kindly pay the above-mentioned Special Tax according to the enclosed debit-note with the least possible delay.

Yours faithfully,

C. K. MENG.

Commissioner.

The enclosures consisted of two debit notes for Tls. 1,181.25 and Tls. 327.00 respectively. The Rental Assessment tax on the two lots concerned, for 1927, amounted to Tls. 603.30, and this was an increase of Tls. 63.30 over the amount paid in 1926. The Special Anti-Red Tax, therefore, totalling Tls. 1,508.25 amounts to two and a half times the total (increased) Rental assessment tax for 1927, and as it is intended to be additional to the ordinary taxation for 1928, this will mean that the firm in question is calmly called upon to pay Tls. 2,111.55 in place of Tls. 603.30, for the current year. There is nothing, of course, to prevent the worthy Governor of Chihli Province, and the enterprising Mr. Meng, from sending in debit-notes for similar amounts, and requesting payment within a week, every month.

It is to be hoped that—indeed we assume that as a matter of course—all foreign firms in receipt of this impudent demand will flatly refuse to respond to it, or any other "invitation," to pay "Special Anti-Red" or other illegal taxes imposed by General Chu Yu-pu and his subordinates. They are under no obligation whatever to pay them, and it is sheer effrontery on the part of the Special Area Administrations to demand them. We have here a very glaring instance of the methods of extortion practised in Concessions which revert to Chinese control. It is not surprising the Foreign Firms which do not enjoy extrajurisdictional privileges are contemplating the removal of their offices into areas where they are not liable to these recurring attempts to "squeeze" them by the local authorities. Chinese, we suppose, will not be "invited" but ordered, to meet this new levy. But it is not calculated to make them enthusiastic over the "Anti-Red" cause, as directed by General Chu Yu-pu, and his hirelings—"P. and T. Times."

SUMMER RESORT.

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M. Leon, the new head of the administration, has devised a great sand and rubber beach, leading to a swimming pool built to Olympic requirements. Behind this and facing the sea will be the elaborate tennis courts now practically completed. These courts cost £200,000. There are twenty-three courts and a gorgeous club house.

New Sporting Club.
The present sporting club is to be done away with, and a new one will rise on the site now occupied by the post office directly facing the sea. Another golf course close by is in contemplation. The Hermitage Hotel has been bought by the Casino and a controlling interest in the Hotel de Paris has been acquired.

With this ambitious programme in the immediate future, Monte Carlo proposes to put the rest of the Riviera back to its former place.

THE HEART.

GERMAN PROFESSOR'S DISCOVERY.

REVIVICATION.

It has just been reported from Innsbruck that Professor Haberlandt of Germany has discovered the hormone of the heart with the aid of which he has been able to cause animal hearts that had been removed from the body to beat again although from two to three and a half days had elapsed since their removal and although they had already ceased to beat of their own accord.

Hormones are stimulants discharged by various internal-secretion glands and conveyed, by means of the blood circulation and the lymph, to the remotest parts of the body where they exercise a specific influence on certain cells and organs.

Professor Haberlandt's discovery, as the "Wiener Neue Freie Presse" remarks, goes to the very root of the problem of the heart and its functioning. It has been known long since that hearts, especially those of frogs, continue to beat after being cut out of the body even when the latter is in a state of decomposition.

But what Professor Haberlandt has now been able to do, is something quite different. He cut out the hearts of some frogs and placed their upper parts together with the vena cava into a salt solution where they continued to beat.

He then found that the still beating hearts communicated their action to the salt solution in such a way that the latter caused hearts that had been removed from the living bodies of other frogs more than three days earlier and that had become completely inanimate, to resume their beating.

Systematic investigations carried out by Professor Haberlandt enabled him to discover that the re-animating substance to which these effects are due is discharged from certain parts of the heart only. It causes the pulsation of the heart, and is capable of accelerating and strengthening its action. It is, indeed, the hormone of the cardiac functions.

Positive and Negative.
Certain definite features, both position and negative, of the newly discovered substance justify Professor Haberlandt to classify it among the hormones and at the same time to assert that it is not identical with any of those already known. We have but an incomplete knowledge of the nature of hormones, but we know that they are heat-proof.

Professor Haberlandt's discovery fits in with this characteristic. On the other hand, it cannot be identical with the hormone of the suprarenal gland because it differs from it in not contracting the blood and lymph vessels. It cannot be an adipose substance because it does not dissolve in ether, and since it is not dissolved by alcohol, it cannot be an albuminous substance.

Moreover, it is altogether different from the cardiac nerve substance recently discovered by Professor Loewy. Professor Haberlandt's countryman. For all these reasons it must be regarded as a substance unknown heretofore.

It is quite possible that Professor Haberlandt's discovery will prove of very great importance to medical science. It may enable us to render effective aid to failing hearts in the most natural way. The discoverer reckons with the possibility of using the hearts of slaughtered cattle for the extraction of heart hormone which can then be utilised for curative purpose.

Once it has been made possible to obtain the new substance with a sufficient degree of purity, there will be no reason why it should not be thus utilised, and this is merely a question of time. It is evident, therefore that the new discovery opens out a bright perspective to medical science, more especially to that section devoted to the treatment of heart disease.



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AN ILLUSION.

ARE CROOKS SO CLEVER?

WORLD HIS OYSTER.

It is astonishing to realise that the vast majority of people look on confidence tricksters, forgers, coiners and the generality of crooks as being clever.

Judges on the bench foster this illusion (says Andrew Phillips, in the "Daily Chronicle"). How often, before sentencing a thief, do they not allude with regret to the prisoner's failure to use his talents in some honest occupation, and suggest that his success would have been undoubted?

This superstition of the talented crook is widespread, and consequently dangerous. It frequently creates for him an atmosphere of tolerance. The average man, realising his own "average-ness," is apt to admire cleverness in others, and this admiration often merges into sympathy.

The idea is formed that the crook is a man who by some freak of luck is found in the ranks of rogues instead of being on the side of the angels. From this comes much of the "sloopy" because artificial, sentimentality that interferes with the just treatment of malefactors.

An Abuse of Trust.

The professional crook is not, as a rule, any cleverer than the man in the street. The intervals between his coups give him ample time for careful preparation. The guardians of law and order have no knowledge as to where he is going to strike. The world is his oyster.

For all that, we know on undeniable authority that only a small percentage of crooks earn a living equal to that of the average skilled mechanic. They have their "crowded hours" when some big coup has come off; but against this have to be placed many failures and long periods of idleness. And looming over everything is the shadow of the prison cell.

Take the case of even some of the greatest financial crooks within the last 25 years. All their alleged cleverness has not kept them from the dock of the Old Bailey. Prominent examples will come readily to your mind.

The real angle from which to view the subject is this. A certain amount of mutual trust is the basis upon which civilisation stands. In the small give-and-take transactions of life guarantees or safeguards are out of the question. The average man trusts his fellow-man.

This is the whole raison d'être of the crook. He uses that little bit of mutual confidence to the disadvantage of the confider. He poses as an honest man until his victim is off his guard. He abuses the trust placed in him, and thus reaps his ill-gotten gains.

The Annals of Swindling.

The annals of swindling revealed here and there some ingenuity, but, even if we disregard the moral issues, nothing to warrant any encomiums. Thieving is a crook's occupation, and we must credit him with a certain amount of intelligence, but, when allowance is made for certain mechanical inventions, swindling has taken no step forward since the earliest days of the craft.

No doubt there are crooks, big and little, who have safely retired from the game, and settled down in comfort on the proceeds of their rogueries. But when we consider the roughly approximate amount of the booty, and the horde of people among whom it has to be divided, the rewards appear inadequate for such a hazardous occupation. Apart from that, the one merit of a crook's job is that it involves long periods of idleness, which to many is a supreme attraction.

Crooks may be men to be pitied, to be reformed, to be shown the light. But on no grounds are they to be admired for their cleverness. Clever men choose easier and more lucrative occupations.

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Reported Seriously Ill.
FAMILY SUMMONED.

Acute Pharyngitis, With Bronchitis, Developed.

London, Yesterday.
The Earl of Oxford and Asquith has developed acute pharyngitis



with signs of bronchitis. His condition is of the gravest. Unconscious.

The Earl of Oxford is unconscious. The family has been summoned.—Reuter.

WONDERFUL FIND.

TREASURES EXCAVATED AT AT UR.

A QUEEN'S JEWELS.

Philadelphia, Yesterday.
On a slope leading to the burial pit lay the bodies of six soldiers of the guard, their skulls crushed inside battered copper helmets. The graveside itself was a shambles of 50 bodies of those sacrificed to the spirit of the dead. Along one side lay men with daggers on their hips. Against the foot of the tomb lay the chief of the ladies of the harem in full court regalia. Beside them were caskets containing face-paint and little alabaster vases for unguents.

At the head and feet of the dead Queen were couched the bodies of her attendants.

The Queen's headress was marvellous, coil after coil of gold ribbon surrounding a great wig above which and across the forehead ran a frontlet of lapis lazuli and cornelian beads, from which hung heavy rings of gold. Higher up there was a wreath of golden mulberry leaves which surmounted another formed of large flowers whose petals were inlaid with lapis lazuli and white shell.

The Queen wore a tight fitting necklace and gold garters. Over the upper part of the body was a cloak entirely covered with bead-work fringed with dangling golden rings and a cloak fastened on the right shoulder with three pins of gold lapis lazuli, on which was inscribed the Queen's name.

The report suggests that her mourners profaned and plundered the King's tomb.—Reuter's American Service.

EXCAVATORS DISCOVER TREASURES.

Philadelphia, Yesterday.
A report from Mr. Leonard Woolley director of the joint expedition of the University of Pennsylvania and the British Museum which is excavating the ancient city of Ur of the Chaldees states they have found the richest treasure yet discovered in Ur around the body of Queen Shubad, a Sumerian ruler who died 5,000 years ago. Her tomb was intact but that of her husband, nearby, had been plundered.—Reuter's American Service.

ALL OVER.

AMERICAN "GOODWILL" FLIGHT.

St. Louis (Missouri), Yesterday.
Lindbergh flew without a stop 1,200 miles from Havana in 15 hours and thus completed the "goodwill" flight.—Reuter's American Service.

The steam-liner "Wal-Hung" was sold at the Hong Kong Auction Rooms yesterday for \$5,800, the purchaser being Mr. Chu Sing. The bidding started at \$4,000 with rises of \$200 and over.

COTTON INDUSTRY.

Labour Unemployment Amendment.

"POLITICAL POLICY."

Impartial Inquiry By Government Urged.

London, Yesterday.
In the course of the House of Commons debate on the Labour amendment dealing with unemployment, Mr. Clynnes, referring to the cotton industry, declared that political policy had a good deal to do with the loss of Lancashire markets. India, China and Japanese competition could not altogether account for the huge decline in exports of cotton cloth to China. He urged the Government to hold an impartial enquiry to ascertain how far the threatened wage reduction could be, any contribution to cheaper production or better markets.—Reuter.

Amendment Defeated.
The House of Commons after a four-day debate, by 293 votes to 137 defeated the Labour amendment to the King's speech regretting that no mention was made of measures designed to grapple with the pressing problems of unemployment.—Reuter.

"THE MASTER."

PRINCE OF WALES AND THE MERCHANT NAVY.

KING'S INVITATION.

London, Yesterday.
In "recognition of the splendid service of the merchant navy and



fishing fleets to the Empire for many centuries in peace-time and war-time." His Majesty, after taking Ministerial advice, has asked the Prince of Wales to assume the title of "Master of the Merchant Navy and Shipping Fleets."

The official announcement states that the King has for some time been considering what steps could be taken to bring the merchant navy and fishing fleets into line with the other great services of the Empire.—Reuter.

THE ALSATIANS.

M. POINCARE AT STRASBURG.

Paris, Yesterday.
M. Poincare, speaking at Strasbourg, eulogised the loyalty and patriotism of the Alsatians who were, he said, passionately and invincibly French. The Premier cast contempt and reproach on some merely "suspicious" agents supported by foreign resources. Tremendous applause greeted the Premier, the audience singing the Marseillaise and cheering enthusiastically.—Reuter.

MEXICAN BATTLE.

REBELS LED BY CATHOLIC PRIEST.

Mexico City, Yesterday.
Twelve rebels were slain and three captured and executed in a battle near Coalcoman, in which according to official reports, 400 rebels participated under a Catholic priest and rebel chieftain.—Reuter.

COLLECTIVE PURCHASING

Washington, Yesterday.
The Judiciary committee of the House of Representatives has approved a bill introduced by Mr. Newton to permit collective purchasing by American combines of rubber, potash and sisal which are "under monopoly control by foreign countries."—Reuter's American Service.

U.S.A. ELECTIONS.

Parties Preparing For Big Test.

THE "POSSIBLES"

President Coolidge May Be Forced To Accept Nomination.

Washington, Yesterday.
Political circles are already preparing for a general election on



November 6.
The Republican national convention is being held in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 12 and the Democratic convention at Houston, Texas on June 26.

The Republican "possibles" for presidential nomination include Messrs. Hoover, Vice-President Dawes, Frank Lowden, Governor of Illinois, Mellon Kellogg and ex-secretary of State Hughes, while many feel that President Coolidge may be forced to accept nomination in the event of a Republican convention deadlock.

The Democratic "possibles" include Governor Smith, of New York, Senator Reed of Missouri and Governor Ritchie of Maryland.

Members of the House of Representatives numbering 485 and one-third of the Senate, or 32 members, are to be elected on November 6.—Reuter's American Service.

BEST FLYING BOAT.

BIG BRITISH CRAFT LAUNCHED.

110 MILES AN HOUR.

London, Yesterday.
Britain's largest passenger flying-boat, christened "Calcutta," was launched at Rochester today. It is an all-metal machine developed on the lines of the flying-boat, in which Sir A. C. Cobham is touring Africa and carries 15 passengers.

The engine can develop 15,400 horse power and its top speed is 110 miles an hour. It flies 700 miles without alighting.—Reuter.

GERMAN INDUSTRY.

THREAT OF GIGANTIC LOCK-OUT.

Berlin, Yesterday.
A gigantic lock-out of 800,000 metal-workers is threatened on February 22 unless 50,000 strikers in Central Germany in the meantime resume work. All the big metal firms will be involved.—Reuter.

KOREAN REDS.

MANY SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
As the result of the Korean Communist trial, which has been proceeding at Seoul during the past months, 84 were sentenced to imprisonment ranging from seven years to six months. The remaining 12 were acquitted.—Reuter.

NEW TRADE TREATY.

TURCO-BULGARIAN PACT SIGNED.

Sofia, Yesterday.
A Turco-Bulgarian commercial treaty has been signed at Angora. This is the first commercial treaty signed in Bulgaria since the war as foreign and commercial relations have been regulated by provisional agreements based on the most-favoured nation treatment.—Reuter.

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